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ST. CLOUD, OSCEOLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1929

NUMBER THIRTY-FOUR

A. W. LATHROP, ST. CLOUD, HEADS G. A. R.; ST. PETERSBURG CHOSEN FOR 1930 MEETING

ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA GRAND ARMY VETERANS CLOSING THREE-DAY PROGRAM AT ORLANDO THIS AFTERNOON.—OFFICERS OF AUXILIARIES NAMED.—SEVERAL PLACES FILLED BY ST. CLOUD MEMBERS.

A. W. Lathrop, of St. Cloud, was chosen Department Commander of the Florida G. A. R. and St. Petersburg named as the place for 1930 encampment, at the sessions of the Florida Department held in Orlando Wednesday. James Campbell, of St. Cloud, was elected officer of the day and J. P. Blood, of this city, judge advocate. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Blood were also named on the council of administration. Ed T. R. Crocker, of this city, was named alternate delegate to the National Encampment to be held in Portland, Maine, in September.

Mrs. Mary Thomas, of St. Cloud, was elected junior vice-president of the Ladies of the G. A. R. at their annual election held Wednesday.

Forty-five delegates and visitors, representing the several G. A. R. organizations and auxiliaries, left St. Cloud in two big buses of the Florida Motor lines Tuesday morning for

the first session of the 47th annual encampment of the Department of Florida Grand Army of the Republic. It is believed that St. Cloud had the largest representation at the encampment of any city in the state.

After the opening ceremonies and a parade routine business was taken up during the day Tuesday, and that evening a reception was given at which Dept. Commander D. S. Hunter, of Miami, spoke, and Dr. C. A. Vincent, of Winter Park, presided. Others on the program Tuesday evening were: Past Commander, L. A. Spencer, of St. Petersburg; Mrs. J. A. Abberger, Daughters of the American Revolution; C. E. Hatchelder, Spanish War Veterans; and City Commissioner George Patterson, of Orlando; Mrs. Frank Cullen, Daughters of the Confederacy; Mrs. E. T. Butler, Ladies of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Chasen Hopper Os-

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PROBATION OFFICER RHINE STOPPED A WEDDING

Through the quick work of Probation Officer J. M. Rhine Tuesday, a proposed marriage between a very elderly man named Lovett and Grace Sparlock, 19, was stopped at the office of County Judge J. W. Oliver. The couple had planned to be married before the family of the girl learned of their intentions, and Mr. Rhine was asked to stop the ceremony if possible until an examination of the mental condition of the bride had been obtained by a committee appointed by the judge. This was done when Mr. Rhine found the couple in St. Cloud on their way to the court house at Kissimmee. Judge Oliver arranged the examination and the result was that Grace Sparlock was sent to the home for feeble minded at Gainesville, while Lovett was sent home to continue his life alone.

It was said that the aged groom-to-be was unaware of the mental disabilities of the proposed bride.

Tuesday Mr. Rhine also had Chas. Lloyd Allen, age 14, committed to the home for feeble minded, he go to with the sheriff on Friday of this week.

Mr. Rhine has been very busy since the first of the year investigating many cases of delinquency or truancy, as well as investigating applications for widows pensions, where they have school children dependents. His reports on school children go to the county school board. Juvenile delinquent cases come before Judge Oliver.

MISSIONARY WILL GIVE ADDRESS AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY EVENING

The Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will hold its annual Praline Service Sunday evening, April 14 at 7:30 o'clock at which time Miss Helen Julius, a missionary from the Pitty Schoolhouse school, will give an address on her work in the mission field.

It is hoped that a large audience will be present.

OSCEOLA ROAD CONTRACT AWARDED FLORIDA CONSTRUCTION CO. ORLANDO

Contract for the completion of the bridges and culverts on the St. Cloud-Melbourne road, which passes through this city on Thirteenth street and is known as project 62-B of the State Road department, was awarded to the Florida Bridge and Construction Co., Orlando, at a meeting of the State Road department held today at Tallahassee.

Bids were received yesterday for a number of projects, which included the Osceola county road from Kissimmee through St. Cloud to the Brevard county line, east of this city, passing through Holopov and Deer Park. The bids were considered and awards made at ten o'clock today. The following message from the Road Department Chairman, Hon. Robert Bentley, to the editor of the Tribune, gives the list of contracts awarded on several projects today:

"Tallahassee, Apr. 11, (12:45 p. m.)—Awards were made today as follows: Project 40-B in Brevard County was awarded to J. R. Purdy, of Melbourne;

16 GUESTS ESCAPE AS FIRE DESTROYS HOTEL ANNEX

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.—Fire of undetermined origin early Saturday in the Hicks hotel here caused a loss variously estimated at between \$400,000 and \$500,000.

Seventy guests who were staying in the annex, which contained 140 rooms, escaped, although several women exhibited and had to be carried from the hotel. Several firemen suffered slight burns and cuts.

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New Owners of Hood's Island To Make Improvements and Develop

Announcement of a real estate transaction made this week is of especial interest to this section, when it was given out that J. C. Gallatin, A. J. Geiger and M. A. Hood had acquired the Hood Island property on Lake Tohopekaliga, between St. Cloud and Kissimmee, and would make improvements in the buildings and equipment on the farm with a view to producing a big crop of truck for the next season. The deal was handled through the realty office of G. A. Peed.

Hood Island before the Florida boom was known as one of the most productive truck farms in Osceola county, and was sold for a fancy price during that period. Efforts of the St. Cloud Growers' Association to increase the acreage in this section for all crops, resulted in the formation of the partnership named to take over the island and bring it into the same high state of cultivation that was maintained when formerly owned by Mr. Hood and associates some years ago.

That farm lands are moving in this section shows the good results being obtained by the Growers' Association, and the large number of new farms being developed can be attributed in some measure to the success of the recent St. Cloud Fair.

Other Realty Deals

G. C. Hunter and G. A. Peed have acquired a fifty-foot front on New York avenue and Thirteenth street and announce that a modern filling station and auto supply house will be erected in time to meet the traffic over the new state highway which used Thirteenth street through the

CHARLES ANDERSON DIES AT KANSAS CITY, MO.

Word was received Monday by Capt. Hugh C. Perkins that his old friend, Charles Anderson, had passed away Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Evangelical hospital at Kansas City, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson had spent the winter in St. Cloud, and were old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Perkins for forty years while both families lived in Nebraska.

This sad news by telegram came as a severe shock to Mr. and Mrs. Perkins as well as many friends the Andersons made while visiting in this city.

Named Officer of the Day, State G. A. R.



MR. JAMES CAMPBELL, OF ST. CLOUD

Who headed the large delegation from this city to the 37th Annual Encampment of the Florida Department, Grand Army of the Republic, and who was named as Officer of the Day and member of the Council of Administration of the State Department at the Sessions held in Orlando this week. Mr. Campbell is also Past Department Commander of the Florida Department G. A. R., and has held many important offices in the organization.

WARD ASSUMED MANAGER'S OFFICE TUESDAY; PAXSON SUCCEEDS JUDD AS TAX COLLECTOR

E. O. Ward assumed his duties as city manager at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, immediately after the business on hand presented by City Manager Walking had been disposed of.

Mr. Ward having received his bond on Monday, the commission approved the bond. Mayor Chase administering the oath of office. Mr. Ward immediately swore in as city police, Jack Catkins, as chief and C. C. Clifton as night marshal. Chief Bumby and Assistant Ekeley had filed their resignations with Manager Walking to be effective at his pleasure.

Mr. Ward announced the appointment of L. T. Paxson as tax collector to succeed Fred S. Judd, and Mrs. Mabel Mallett as bookkeeper in the office to succeed Miss Florence Hoss. These appointees took charge of their duties immediately after the adjournment of the commission Tuesday.

STANLEY SCHULTZ BUYS WHITE WAY BARBECUE

Tuesday Lorrain and Gray sold the White Way Barbecue business, Tenth street and New Jersey avenue, to Stanley Schultz, who has taken charge of his purchase.

Mr. Schultz announces that he will maintain the same high standard of service at the White Way Barbecue that has made the place a popular one for those desiring short order lunches, or sandwiches of all kinds. An electric "hot-dog" cooker has been installed, which is something new to these convenient eating places in this section of the state.

Mr. Schultz invites the public to call and be convinced that the White Way Barbecue is the best place to get quick service and good wholesome food, served in the most sanitary manner.

RADIO PROGRAM AND COMMUNITY SING SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT 2:30

The radio program and community sing at the Tourist Club home last Sunday afternoon met with such success that a number of those attending expressed the hope that a similar program might be arranged for next Sunday and it was announced by Edward Partridge who was in charge of the arrangements for last Sunday, that another program will be given next Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

CITY HALL TO CLOSE THURSDAY AFTERNOONS DURING SUMMER MONTHS

Beginning next Thursday, April 18, the City Hall will be closed on Thursday afternoons during the summer months, and will remain open on Saturday afternoons.

E. O. WARD, City Manager.

explained what they had been doing working under authority of the city commission, and called attention to the appointment of Mrs. Mallett by Mr. Ward being made without consulting the utilities commission, which was responsible for the bookkeeping of their department. After a lengthy discussion Mr. Millson of the utilities commission asked that their commission be abolished. This the city commission did not act on, and later Mr. Millson tendered his resignation verbally, which also was not acted on. Conferences were held last night between members of the city commission and the utilities commission, but no agreement has been reached in the matter. Mayor Chase informed the utilities commission at the noon session yesterday that Manager Ward had complete control of everything in the city, under authority of the city charter.

The utilities commission was appointed by the city commission some months ago, and given full charge of the operation of the plant, with an idea of keeping the utilities out of politics. The public knows what fine work the commission has accomplished. The question now being discussed is whether the utilities commission is to continue in the same manner, or to take instructions from the new city manager in all matters of employment in connection with the operation of the plant. Other conferences are to be held it is said, in an effort to reach a definite understanding so that all departments may work in harmony.

Superintendent Long tendered his resignation to the utilities commission Tuesday evening, to be effective in thirty days, but that body refused to take any action on the matter at that time.

The minutes of the meetings held this week, except the special conference with the utilities commission, is as follows:

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A contract was entered into with the auditing firm of Joseph Hartmann and associates of Jacksonville to do the auditing for the period from November 1, 1928 to October 31, 1929, for the sum of \$150.00 per month, or \$1,800 for the year's job. \$200 cash to be paid when city officials and employees now being changed are checked out, \$700 in notes, and \$900 cash when the year's audit is completed next November 1.

No Assessor Chosen

Bids were received from five different parties for the job of making the city assessment roll for the 1929 taxes. They ranged from \$350 for recopying the 1928 record and correcting any valuations thought necessary, to \$750 for a new assessment. The details of the bids are given in the minutes printed at the bottom of this article.

The city commission endorsed the work being undertaken by the Florida Flood Control Association. This organization is endeavoring to get Federal aid for such work in the state.

Wednesday Session

At a brief session held yesterday morning the city commission authorized the mayor, to proceed with the necessary survey of the city sewer system and make the needed repairs, employed Mr. Jack Bumby, who resigned as chief of police Tuesday, to supervise the work.

At 12 o'clock the city utilities commission met with the city commissioners to discuss the future operations of the city power plant. Chairman Coble of the utilities commission

lution Mr. Parker went to the mayor and inquired as to the manner in which his services had not been for the "best interest" of the city and wherein "unsatisfactory," to which the mayor said there was not a thing wrong with the service rendered; it was only to satisfy a certain element objecting to Mr. Parker for political reasons only.

Following up the inquiry Mr. Parker says he went to the city manager and asked the same question and received, in substance, the same reply. Mr. Parker then told the manager that he considered this office directly under the supervision of the manager and that he would disregard the action of the city commission. Mr. Parker stating further that any time Mr. Walking wanted his resignation that it would be cheerfully forthcoming.

Matters drifted along without further interruption until February 26.

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L. M. PARKER CHECKED OUT AS CITY TAX ATTORNEY WEDNESDAY

Notwithstanding rumors, resolutions and newspaper articles to the contrary, L. M. Parker has been City Tax Attorney, in fact, up to the time of surrendering the books to the proper authorities yesterday.

November 16, 1928 the then City Commission, believing this office came under their jurisdiction, passed the following resolution:

Whereas, the services of L. M. Parker as City Tax Attorney are unsatisfactory and not for the best interests of the City of St. Cloud;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to obtain from the said L. M. Parker an accounting for delinquent taxes certified to the said L. M. Parker and recover from him all city books and records in connection with the said 1927 delinquent tax.

Upon receipt of a copy of the reso-

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ST. CLOUD GROWERS ASSOCIATION

AGRICULTURAL NEWS - FARM, GROVE, GARDEN, POULTRY AND LIVE STOCK

Edited by The St. Cloud Growers' Association

(L. M. PARKER)

LOCAL FARM CONDITIONS

The regular meeting of the St. Cloud Growers' Association held at the Tourist Club House last Monday evening was one of the most "peppy" as well as the best attended during the existence of the organization. It is really remarkable to consider the progress this organization has made during the brief time since organizing. The city and community are now supplied with potatoes, cucumbers, beans, cabbage, etc., all home grown and the growers are getting the benefit of sales as well as all they care to consume at home.

It is true that the markets of the north at this time on potatoes hardly justify shipping. In view of this the local growers are letting their potatoes mature in the ground and are planning to store them to keep the home market supplied during the summer and to have plenty of home grown seed on hand for fall planting. There has never been a time in the history of St. Cloud that home grown potatoes supplied the home market. In May, June and July we have always had to pay from 6 to 10 cents for potatoes grown in the north central states. This will not occur this year. Our money is being spent for this staple article of food will remain at home and thus be used in taking care of our local financial burdens.

Home grown beans, cucumbers and other vegetables can now be had in abundance. While the market is such as to justify shipping these, let us hope that every consumer in St. Cloud and interested in the success of St. Cloud will use nothing but home grown vegetables as long as they are on the market and profitable.

MERCHANTS CO-OPERATING

The report of the committee from the Growers to work out a plan of co-operating between the local grower and the local merchant was most gratifying to all producers. It is easy to get rumors started that some grower is not "toting fair" with the producer. Investigation, as a rule, proves that such reports like many others, after reviewed by professional gossipers, prove entirely false. The local merchant as a rule is just as loyal to his city and his customer-producer as are the producers themselves. We are mighty glad for the guaranteed co-operation of our splendid grocersmen. The growers, in return, will do all in their power to merit such loyal consideration.

GROWERS ENCOURAGED

Some months ago a bunch of men and women with a vision met together and planned to organize and did organize the present Growers' Association. At that time it was too late to put ground in order for fall and winter crops. At that time very few who are now engaged in farming had homes, harness, plows, and implements to do the job and do it right. They swapped work and rented land here and there doing all possible in so short a time and under those unfavorable conditions put seed in the ground and trusted to the elements to do their part which they surely did. Thus handicapped, the growers put on an Agricultural Fair in early March that was a surprise to the native as well as the tourist. The question was heard on every corner, "If they can do this without preparation, what will they do next year with soil in condition and implements with which to farm." The question will be answered early in March 1930 when St. Cloud will see one of the greatest exhibitions of home grown produce ever shown in this county and surpassed by none. Reference in the Monday evening meeting to what was going to happen, "next year" brought forth applause and the growers were on their toes as it were, looking forward with great anticipation to the coming season.

STRAWBERRY SITUATION

With at least fifty acres of strawberries promised definitely for the fall planting, the number continues to grow. Many heretofore uninterested in the strawberry game are stepping forward and saying "put me down for one or more acres. Why not. All strawberry growing centers in Florida cleaned up in good shape last season. As a matter of fact they "clean up" every year. Like all other crops some years are better than others. That is due to climatic conditions. It is true that the Northern markets are always good some times during the bearing season. If other crops would produce from one planting over a long period as strawberries they, too, would find a good market sometime during their bearing season. That's why this crop has such a great advantage over all others. These freeze does very little if any injury. It is considered a "bad-weather" crop because the grower does not need to fight pests by spraying his field every morning before breakfast. If, like many others, we were prone to prophesy we would say that you will see St. Cloud take on new life, she will get up and go just in proportion to her future interest in farming and particularly in the strawberry culture. No other crop will put you and the community on your feet so quickly or so permanently.

The minerals of Osceola county are sand and peat.

THE RABBIT GAME

A year ago we bought a doe
And put her in a pen;
Instead of "one" as we begun
We soon were feeding ten.

So night and day we worked away
Built hutches by the score;
Before we knew just what to do
We had a HUNDRED more.

This game is "fast", we said at last,
"Keep Count" we surely will;
My wife in glee, calls loud to me
"We have a THOUSAND,—Bill."

Both on the "blink" we stopped to think
The hungry must be fed;
Packed car of meat for rich to eat
Before we went to bed.

Amid the strife we've tried in life
A thousand games to play;
But we will treat the one who'll beat
The RABBIT GAME,—today.

WATERMELONS FINE

O Bay! We are not saying it for publication—we are just "slipping" it to a few of our friends. "Doc" Meeker has nine acres of the finest watermelon vines we ever saw. They are full of bloom and melons setting on by the thousand. "It won't be long now" as the prospective bride repeats. During these summer months when we have so little to do "Doc" Meeker is going to have more real friends than he ever knew about before. If "Doc" is the diplomat we think he is, after this season's season is past he can be elected Governor of the City of St. Cloud or to any high office in the City Magazine, he chooses to seek.

We started to say that the watermelon prospects are superlative. There happens to be a number of fine fields much closer than the Meeker patch. There are others who may come into popularity over night. Well, that's fine. Nothing like being popular. That gets you somewhere. We're for the watermelon growers.

GOOD PASTURE SOURCE OF CHEAP FEED

Increasing interest in dairying in the South has caused many farmers to realize the importance of cheap feed. Production of dairy products, at least when most profitable, is mainly the marketing of home grown feed in a more concentrated and more profitable form. Naturally the cheaper this feed can be obtained the more profit will be made on the milk and butter.

The South has many good feed crops that, when properly grown, produce cheap feed. Good pastures are a means of producing cheap feed as too frequently overlooked.

Much of the pasture acreage now on southern farms does not furnish cheap feed, due chiefly to poor quality of grasses present and to poor growth due to the impoverished soil. Where grasses of poor quality make up a large part of the stand, reseedling may be necessary. Carpet grass, Bahia grass, and lespedeza, or Japan clover, have proved their worth on the moist soils. Red top, orchard grass, tall meadow oat, and white and blue clover are desirable on the well drained soils. Many farmers do not want Bermuda grass on their farms, but a good Bermuda pasture with a sprinkling of burr clover and lespedeza give some fine pastures.

Fertilization will greatly increase the carrying capacity of the pasture and increase profit. Proper fertilization will not only increase growth, but will also increase the feed value of the grass. Experiments have shown that nitrogenous fertilizers increase the protein content of the grass, an important point in milk production. Other experiments have shown the value of a high mineral content in grass brought about through fertilization on the vigor of animals receiving the feed.

Under usual southern condition, a complete fertilizer, that is one carrying phosphoric acid, nitrogen, and potash, with a rather high percentage of nitrogen, will give best results on pastures.

The number in 1927 of acres in cultivation in Osceola county was 4,547.

SPECIALISTS TO PLAN ANTI-RUST MITE CAMPAIGN

GAINESVILLE, April 10.—The three million dollar board bill of the rust mite in Florida will be cut in half if plans of the agricultural extension division work out. Specialists of this division, together with district and county agents, are planning an anti-rust mite campaign during the next few weeks with this end in view. If the purpose is accomplished, it will mean the addition of more than a million dollars to the pockets of Florida citrus growers next fall and winter.

E. F. DeBuck, extension citrus pathologist, estimates that approximately 12 per cent of all citrus fruit shipped from Florida is lowered in value 75 per cent per box as a result of rust mite damage. Citrus growers are investing approximately 2 cents per box in rust mite control. Mr. DeBuck believes that if the investment is increased to 3 cents a box and the control measures applied in an approved manner, the loss from rust mite damage will be reduced to 6 per cent, with a profit to the growers of over 200 per cent on their investment in control.

During the next six weeks, Mr. DeBuck, district agents, H. G. Clayton and W. E. Nettles, county agents and newspapers of the citrus section, will cooperate in a campaign to obtain this possible reduction in rust mite damage and consequent saving to growers. Prof. J. H. Watson, entomologist of the experiment station, and W. W. Yathers of the United States Department of Agriculture, stationed at Orlando, will assist in the campaign also.

Citrus field meetings at which rust mite control was discussed were held last week at Okeechobee, Homestead, Stuart, Fort Pierce, and Vero Beach. The following meetings are definitely scheduled: April 12, Sarasota; April 15, Winter Haven and Lake Wales; April 17, Hart Grove and Consolidated grove in Highlands county; April 18, Alico, Bouda Springs and Fort Myers; April 23, Kissimmee and St. Cloud; April 24, Orange county; April 25, Unadilla and Leesburg.

Meetings are to be scheduled later in Marion, Broward and Flagler counties. Citrus growers who desire to learn rust mite control from a practical and approved standpoint should get in touch with county agents in the counties where meetings are to be held, and learn the exact hours and exact places of the meetings.

Shipment of Spanish mackerel from Fort Pierce the last three days of the week reached a total of approximately 200,000 pounds. The shipments represented the local catch in a big run that had been under way for several days, during which time the entire local fishing fleet was engaged in the haul. The season's fish shipments from Fort Pierce total forty-one solid cars and express shipments that would fill nearly half as many more.

HOW TO RAISE POULTRY

By Dr. L. D. LeGour, V. S., St. Louis, Mo.
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ARTICLE IN LET US SPRAY

Kill the Vermin or the Vermin Will Kill Your Profits—Fowls That Are Free From Vermin Lay Better and Resist Disease More Easily.

Not long ago I was asked by an amateur poultry raiser, whom I know slightly, if I would look over his flock and see what made them so droopy, dispirited and unproductive. They were "all outa pep" was the way he put it. It took only a moment's examination to disclose the reason for this undesirable state of affairs. His hens were just about being eaten up by chicken lice.

I asked to see the hen house and what I saw was what is all too often seen. An old roughly built shed had been hastily converted into a hen house. To say there were ten thousand hiding places for vermin would be a most conservative estimate. No attempt at sanitation or disinfection had ever been made. Ancient table scraps in various stages of decomposition proved attractive tidbits for myriads of flies. Monthly straw lay about on the dirt floor, and dropping beads being something this chap had never heard about, the droppings served to still further befoul the already disgusting litter. In short, if I had wanted a particularly horrible example of almost anything one should not do in poultry raising, I could have found it here. I really marvelled that the poor birds had been so lucky as to suffer nothing worse than their painful burdens of lice.

Turning to my acquaintance, I said: "Charlie, there are a lot of things that ought to be done here, but I have a little story that will help you to remember one of the most important." Then I told him that story about the mother skunk and several of her little ones who were being pursued by a hunter. The hunter gained ground quite rapidly, which alarmed the youngsters and a little. "Just be patient, children," admonished the mother, "I'll tell you what to do when the time comes." The hunter continued to gain, and finally the mother called a sudden halt. As the hunter, seeing success at hand, plunged boldly forward, the mother skunk remarked calmly and confidently, "Now children, let us spray!"

Of course, the first thing to do was to make a thorough clean up of the whole place. Then, a strong solution of Dip and Disinfectant was sprayed into every crack and crevice. Lime was dusted liberally over the dirt floor in order to neutralize its sour odor and make the place still more uncomfortable for lice, mites, bedbugs and other insect pests. Then the hens were dusted well with Lice Powder to kill the parasites on their bodies, and the dusting was repeated in seven days time. Now, whenever I meet my friend, Charlie, he invariably greets me with a gesture which indicates the manipulation of a spray pump and with an air of mock piety exclaims, "Doctor, let us spray!" He also has a tale to tell of a reborn flock that is taking a new interest in life and actually seems to be trying to make up for the time they lost before Charlie learned his lesson.

While this case was an extreme one, the same story is being enacted many times over and not always with a happy ending. With proper construction of houses and equipment, proper sanitary arrangements and an occasional clean-up and disinfecting campaign, the problem of vermin is seldom encountered.

Where these three points are not observed, however, vermin take possession and profits suffer with the poultry. Lice, fleas, ticks, mites, bedbugs and many other pests in infinite variety either suck the life blood right out of their unwilling hosts or cause almost unbearable irritation. In either case, the fowl is seriously weakened, and the various bodily functions, including that of egg laying, are seriously hampered. Furthermore, while parasites are seldom directly responsible for death, except in cases of extreme neglect, they do often sap the vitality to such an extent that fowls become easy prey to disease.

These pests are preventable. It is no disgrace to have them show up on your premises, but it is a disgrace to let them remain. Not only that, aside from humane considerations which are too plain to need emphasis, it is mighty poor business to take a cut in the profits of any business when the cause of such a cut can so easily be removed.

Osceola county has five general nurseries.

In 1927 the school enrollment in Osceola county was 2,042.

POULTRY DEPARTMENT

JOHN M. FRIEDEL, Editor

Anyone, who has had any experience at all in handling of a flock of layers, should be able to detect pullets that have not come into laying at this time. These birds that have not, will have a tight abdomen, a narrow yellow vent and a small undeveloped comb. Separate at this time all those that have not begun laying, mark them with colored leg bands, so that if they are not sold immediately, there will be no possible chance of their finding their way into next year's breeding pen.

Ten Good Points for the Producer of Quality Eggs

1. Cocks and cockerels are not necessary for egg production. Sell them as soon as breeding season is over.
2. Keep only the strong, healthy and vigorous stock.
3. Keep nests clean, have plenty of them.
4. Gather eggs twice a day.
5. Keep eggs in a cool clean dry place away from odors and oils.
6. Grade your eggs for size, shape and color.
7. Do not wash—washing destroys the natural bloom and blisters the keeping qualities.
8. Quality is necessary for best prices.
9. If you sell to local dealers insist upon their buying on a "loss off" or quality basis.
10. Care and Management of Chicks

Lesson No. 1

First Day.—Leave chicks in incubator, nursery tray or shipping box until 24 hours old. Nature has provided food for the first three days. Remove to preheated brooder.

Second Day.—Select the strongest and healthiest chicks, cull out the droop, listless, and inactive. Give a supply of poultry grit and charcoal on the floor under the brooder. Supply water, buttermilk or sour milk, and keep before chicks at all times. Keep brooder temperature at 100 degrees F.

Third to Seventh Day.—Feed a good starting mash five times a day at regular intervals, give only small amounts at each feeding as much as they will clean up in fifteen minutes. From 5th day reduce temperature to 95 F.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation that encourages its employees to invest in its stock, is reported to have \$23,580 stockholders of common stock.

FERTILIZERS INCREASE YIELD OF QUALITY NUTS

Greater profit to the individual pecan grower comes through heavy production of quality nuts. Proper use of commercial fertilizers is an important of meeting this requirement.

Co-operative fertilizer experiments on pecans conducted by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, with Dr. J. J. Skinner in charge, have shown that a complete fertilizer is necessary to secure best results in the fertilization of pecans. Young trees should receive a fertilizer carrying a rather high percentage of nitrogen, although an excess may cause an undesirable succulent growth. A fertilizer analyzing 8-4-4 has been found suitable for young trees.

For bearing trees on soils high in organic matter, or where legume cover crops are grown and turned under, a fertilizer analyzing 10-4-3 will give good results. For most soils a 10-5-3 is preferable.

These experiments have shown that the pecans from the fertilized trees were slightly larger than from the unfertilized trees. Ample nitrogen in the fertilizer increased the protein content of the pecan meats and resulted in better filled nuts. It was also found that the nuts from the high potash plots carried a higher percentage of fat or oil.

Bearing trees should receive an annual application ranging from 25 to 75 pounds per tree, depending on the size and condition of the tree and fertility of the soil. Ample fertilization will keep trees in good vigor and will result in heavier production of better quality nuts.

GYMNASIUM AND SWIMMING POOL TO BE OPENED SOON

FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE, Tallahassee, March 30.—The \$250,000 gymnasium and swimming pool of Florida State College will be ready for use by the opening of the summer school, according to the engineer in charge of construction of the building.

The swimming pool will be seventy-five by forty feet in size, and will be constructed of concrete throughout. A balcony seven feet above the water and extending around the pool will be constructed for the use of spectators at swimming meets and water contests. Thirty-nine shower baths will be included in the new building.

TAX NOTICE!

NOTICE is hereby given that the tax books of Osceola County for the year 1928, will close promptly on May 1st, next, and all unpaid taxes at that time will be subject to advertisement and sale.

In writing about taxes, give complete description of your property and enclose postage.

C. L. BANDY

Tax Collector

Kissimmee, Florida

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St. Cloud Florida

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First and third Thursday in the
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Office over Bank of Osceola
Kissimmee, Florida**DR. FOSTER SUPPLIES PULPIT
AT LAKE WALES SUNDAY**Dr. May Puckett-Foster accepted a
special invitation to supply the pul-
pit of the West Side Baptist church
at Lake Wales last Sunday. She was
accompanied to Lake Wales by her
mother, Mrs. J. L. Puckett, and her
daughter, Miss Mary Foster.Others who motored to Lake Wales
to attend the service were Misses
Archie and Olin Monte de Oca and Mr.
and Mrs. Robert Monte de Oca and
little daughter, all of St. Cloud, and
Dewey Monte de Oca, of Sanford.
Dr. Foster and the visitors also at-
tended the Ridge Singing Convention
at the Holiness church.**LADIES AID FOOD
SALE SATURDAY**The Ladies Aid of the Methodist
church will hold a food sale in the
old post office building, Eleventh
street and New York avenue, on Sat-
urday, April 13, afternoon and even-
ing. Ice cream and cake will also be
sold.**MR. AND MRS. HOMER BASS
ANNOUNCE BIRTH OF DAUGHTER**Mr. and Mrs. Homer Bass, of Caro-
lina avenue and sixth street, an-
nounce the birth of a daughter Thurs-
day, April 4.Mrs. L. C. Biddle and son, Calvin,
and Mrs. H. E. Crawford returned
this week from South Carolina, where
they visited in Orangeburg and
Charleston.Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kinney, of 216
Wisconsin avenue, left by motor Sat-
urday for their summer home in
Rhode Island. They have greatly en-
joyed the social activities in St. Cloud
and warmly recommended the city as
a place to spend a pleasant winter.**VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION
PROGRAM CELEBRATES 63rd
ANNIVERSARY OF G. A. R.**The Veterans' Association was called
to order at 2:30 Saturday after-
noon by the president, James Camp-
bell. The singing of "America" was
followed by prayer by Chaplain A.
U. Cooley. Records of the meeting of
March 29 were read and approved.
Announcement was made that the
W. C. T. U. Temple would continue
to be open to the public in the morn-
ings only for the next two months.The Florida song and the St. Cloud
slogan followed in order.The program was in charge of Mrs.
J. M. Raymond, the occasion being
the sixty-third anniversary of the
Grand Army of the Republic as an
organization. The history of the or-
ganization was very ably given by
President James Campbell of the
Veterans' Association. Some inci-
dents in the life of the organization,
especially relating to our own state,
Florida, were told. Following in or-
der, Mrs. A. L. Brand, patriotic in-
structor of the W. R. C., Mrs. Rush,
representing the Ladies of the G. A.
R., and Mrs. S. M. Benedict, president
of the Daughters of Union Veterans
of the Civil war, each told how and
when the several organizations were
sponsored, their relation to the Grand
Army, together with the principles and
objects of the organization.At the close of Mrs. Benedict's re-
marks, she called Commander J. M.
Raymond to the platform and present-
ed him with \$10 given by L. L. Mit-
chell Post in keeping with the anni-
versary of the Order, the local Tent
being the donor.The choir, Mrs. Z. Smith, Mrs. D.
Whitford, Mrs. T. Penn, Mrs. C. Ken-
ney, Mrs. B. Benedict and Messrs.
Goff, Babcock, Campbell and C. N.
McMillen sang, "The Battle Hymn
of the Republic."G. M. Moses, Jr., delivered an or-
iginal address on, "The Development
of the United States Constitution." Mr.
Moses held his listeners spell-
bound, and we are very proud to
know the speaker is a product of the
St. Cloud high school. A motion pre-
sented that his address be secured and
published in the local paper.The next number on the program
was a group of three songs by four
little girls of the second grade of the
St. Cloud schools, taught by Mrs. Edna
Goss. Their songs, "Spring Bonnets,"
"The Dancers" and "Roses" were all
well rendered.Pupils of the fifth grade of the
public schools, taught by Miss Mittie
Steen, gave a playlet, "Good King
Nehemiah" in which the boys and girls each
represented a part of speech. These
children were well trained, their de-
livery was clearly audible and given
without the least hesitation.The association feels deeply indebted
to all who so freely and ably as-
sisted in this program, making it one
of the best ones rendered for some
time. The audience numbered about
250 persons.

Emma E. Raymond, Sec'y.

**SWEET POTATOES
NEED PLANT FOOD**"Commercial fertilizers are neces-
sary for the economic production of
sweet potatoes," is a statement found
in Bulletin 253 recently published by
the North Carolina Agricultural Ex-
periment Station. This bulletin gives
in concise form much definite in-
formation regarding sweet potato
growing.Where Yellow Jerseys are grown
for early market, a fertilizer carry-
ing 8 per cent phosphoric acid, 4 per
cent nitrogen, and 5 per cent potash
applied at the rate of 1,200 to 1,800
pounds per acre is recommended.
Where such varieties as Porto Rico
and Nancy Hall are grown on coastal
plain soil, 800 pounds per acre of an
8-4-8 are recommended. For Pied-
mont and Mountain soils, 800 pounds
per acre of a 10-4-6 are recommended.
The statement is made that the aver-
age home grower does not use suf-
ficient potash in fertilizing sweet
potatoes.The fertilizer should be applied in
the drill and thoroughly mixed with
the soil. Neither lime nor stable man-
ure is recommended for use with sweet
potatoes.The papal railway car, richly ornamented with pure gold, valuable tap-
estries, and precious stones, was captured by the Italian forces, from the
Vatican, in 1870. Since then it has resided in the War Museum of the
Castle St. Angelo. Now, with peace affected between the Quirinal and
the Vatican, the car will be returned to its owner, and it will probably be
used on the Pope's first visit outside of his holy residence, which will be
to his birthplace in Milan, Italy. (Herbert Photos, N.Y.)**MAKE THE ROAD SIDE STAND
ATTRACTIVE TO CUSTOMERS**Dr. William Stuart, of the United
States Department of Agriculture, sug-
gests several rules for the marketing
of potatoes at roadside stands. His
suggestions apply particularly to po-
tatoes, but are also applicable to other
farm products:Grow the variety most popular
with the consuming public.Harvest the potatoes only rapidly
as they may be needed, when this is
practicable.If soil adheres after digging wash
the potatoes before putting them on
sale.Grade them into fairly uniform
sizes—4-ounce and 12-ounce potatoes
do not match up very well.Display the potatoes in small pack-
ages, 4-quart peach baskets, climax
grape baskets with handles, or any
clean, attractive, and convenient con-
tainer.Don't be afraid to ask fair prices
for your products, but not more than
the retail store prices for similar
goods.Doctor Stuart also warns against
cut, bruised, sundried, or badly
scrubbed potatoes as quality stock.
"It is much better to feed them to
your stock."If the grower follows these sug-
gestions," says Doctor Stuart, "the
quantity of potatoes that may be sold
at the roadside stand is limited only
by the amount of travel on the high-
way. Don't expect the public to pa-
tronize you if you offer a nondescript
lot of fruits and vegetables, unattrac-
tively displayed, and of poor quality."**THE LAYMEN**

By EDGAR A. GUEST

The following poem was contributed
by a friend for publication, as well
as defining a real fact:Leave it to the ministers and soon the
church will die.Leave it to the women-folk—the
young will pass it by:For the Church is all that lifts us
from the coarse and selfish mob,
And the Church that is to prosper,
needs the Laymen on the job.Now a Layman has his business, and
a Layman has his joys,
But he also has the training of his
little girls and boys.And I wonder how he'd like it if
there were no churches here,
And he had to raise his children in a
Godless atmosphere.When you see a church that's empty,
though its doors are open wide,
It is not the Church that's dying, it's
The Laymen who have died.
For it's not by song or sermon that
the Church's work is done,
It's the Laymen of our country who
for God must carry on.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned as Sheriff
of Osceola County, Florida, and Administrator ex-officio
of the estate of F. E. Williams, deceased, that I will on
the 13th day of April, 1929, sell before the Court House
door in Kissimmee, Florida, for cash, at public outcry, at
12 o'clock noon, the following described personal prop-
erty belonging to the estate of F. E. Williams, deceased,
to-wit:1 lot of lumber and hardware supplies consisting
of doors, windows, paints, nails, molding, trim,
sash and all other articles listed on Exhibit "A"
attached to the inventory and appraisal
filed in said cause. Also 1 lot of office equip-
ment and 1 one-ton Ford truck.

Dated at Kissimmee, Florida, this March 29, 1929.

L. R. FARMER,as Sheriff of Osceola County, Florida,
and Administrator ex-officio of the es-
tate of F. E. Williams, deceased.**ELLIS F. DAVIS,**

Attorney for Administrator.

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Don't lose hope when you've
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There's another channel of
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bune readers what it is you've
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erty to owners—for a few cents
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor of
the St. Cloud Tribune.

Dear Editor:

As a citizen, voter and taxpayer of
St. Cloud, Florida, I assume it to be
my privilege, not to dictate, but to
criticize the expressed sentiment of
our Mayor-Commissioner given to you
for publication, and published in your
last issue, relative to the manner of
modifying our present municipal form
of government. His expressed thought
is to, as far as practicable, reinstate
our former municipal code; simply
adding what may be essential to com-
port with the developments of the
conditions of the city, and increasing
the number of the officers of the city
government.

That part is very good, and meets
with my approval; since I have always
valued the substitution of our present
form of government for what it is, I
extended, subject to the expansion to
meet the general developments of the
future necessity of the city, but it is
the stated mode of procedure that is
subject to criticism.

We have a statutory provision re-
gulating the manner of said change,
which he and his advisers seem to
contemplate, to wholly ignore, and if
so accomplished would give us an-
other Rague municipal form of govern-
ment.

He would constitute a charter board
by his own appointment, while the
statute declares that every legal voter
has a right to express by ballot their
desire as to who shall be empowered
to construct the municipal law under
which they enjoin. He would have
his appointees conduct the, to be ap-
proved code, and first submit it to
the State Legislature for approval,
and then to the city elector, which is
wholly without law or precedent, and
by so doing would submit it to our
opponents who might bickerate it,
and send back its ashes.

The terms in this matter, as ex-
pressed in the statute, are mandatory,
not advisory; the substitution of may
for shall.

If we are to have a new form of
city government, let it be legally estab-
lished. True blue, clean and keep it
so, and it will automatically develop,
and if we cannot do that now, wait
until we can. J. P. BLOOD.

CIVIC GOVERNMENT

To the Editor of
the St. Cloud Tribune.

Dear Sir:

As a property owner in the city I
have taken considerable interest in
its municipal activities. After sev-
eral years observation of what has
and is taking place, I have come to
the conclusion that the management
of the city has been carried on with-
out system or knowledge of the es-
sentials of good municipal government.
Many mistakes have been made and
much of the taxpayers' money has
been wasted. The present city staff
is too expensive, and there is a mix-
up of duties which get things into a
general muddle.

As regard the council or commis-
sion it matters not what its name, as
long as it is composed of men with
ordinary business sense, who will
work for the good of the community,
and not for their own private in-
terests.

The powers of the mayor are much
too autocratic for this age of democ-
racy. No mayor or commissioner in
his own person should have any ex-
ecutive power whatever. The govern-
ment should be carried on by the
council as a whole. The mayor's
duties, other than those of an orna-
mental nature, should be to preside
at all meetings and attend all com-
mittee meeting ex-officio. His vote
should only be given in the case of
a tie in voting on municipal matters
in council assembled. His actual
power as a number should be no more
or less than any other member. A
mayoral position is, of course, one of
honor and carries with it many
duties of a social as well as official
character and any man elected to that
honor should be proud of the position.

As regards a city manager, St.
Cloud or any other city for that mat-
ter does not require one. From my
experience of municipal government in
several counties and cities, where
such an official has been employed,
it has resulted in bad blood between
officials and inefficiency in official
works. No manager knows it all, or
is an expert financier, engineer, elec-
trician, medical officer, sanitary en-
gineer, highway and building and
hydraulic engineer, office manager
and several other things. If he was,
he might be able to do something use-

ful. The city manager of today would
be more aptly named the city muddler.
The officials required in a city the
size of St. Cloud should be:

City engineer, who should do all
necessary surveying, laying out of new
streets to prepare all plans and spec-
ification for public works, such as
sewers, purification works, superin-
tendence of all city works carried out
by contract or otherwise, construct
any new water supply systems and
maintain same, in fact shall have
sole charge of all public utilities ex-
cept electric works.

A qualified electrician capable of con-
structing and managing all works in
connection with the electric works of
the city.

A city clerk, who should be a quali-
fied attorney, who with what clerical
assistance found necessary, should
have charge of all matters usually
associated with that position and ad-
vise in all legal matters coming before
the council. He should also act as
tax collector, assessor and treasurer.

A police force and fire department
could be very well combined resulting
in better service and more economic
handling.

A city inspector, who would combine
the duties of building, plumbing, san-
itary, dairy, foods and meat inspector,
superintendent street cleaning and sen-
sory, and other duties incidental
to such offices. Such as control of
infectious diseases, management of
permanent or temporary infectious
disease, hospital.

It has been and is at the present
time the custom to appoint any man
without qualification to these offices.
(Which in big cities are held separate-
ly). A bigger mistake was never
made. It is upon the efficiency and
work of this official that the sick-
ness and may be life itself depend.
It is up to him to hold in check, and
to prevent sickness and death from
typhoid, diphtheria, tuberculosis, diar-
rhea, malaria, dengue and many
other diseases communicable to man
by meat, milk, water and other means.

The German does not know that it
may have been the ignorance or neg-
lect of this official which may have
been the cause of sickness or death
from some of the above mentioned
diseases, or that it may have been the
good work of the officer that has
prevented such occurrences.

It behooves a city government to
appoint such an official and above
all to appoint no one who has not
qualified by examination and experi-
ence to hold such a responsible posi-
tion.

A medical officer of health is not
required, providing a good sanitary
officer is appointed.

A healthy city is the greatest asset
of any community.

The salaries of all officials should
be fixed on a sliding scale, with an-
nual increases till the stated maximum
is reached, thus doing away with the
ever-recurring applications of of-
ficials for increases in salaries.

Appointment of all officers should
be made after application have been
asked for in the public press, and the
best man chosen apart from political
or any other influence.

The council as a whole should
govern. No pre-historic system of the
veto should be tolerated. Committees
should be formed to carry on the de-
tails of the city's business, which
would relieve the council of much of
the detail of government. Such com-
mittees should receive all reports from
officials (who should attend all com-
mittee), and initiate all public works,
who would approve or disapprove as
the case may be. The decision of the
council as a body should, of course,
be final.

The committees I would suggest
are:

Works and utilities dealing with all
public utilities under the superintend-
ence of the engineer and electrician,
the management of parks and all other
city properties.

Finance dealing with all the fi-
nancial business of the council.

Health and building dealing with
all matters pertaining to the health
of the city and new buildings.

Entertainment or social commit-
tee dealing with all ceremonial mat-
ters, city band, and other things
dealing with the entertainment of
tourists. A delegation from the Cham-
ber of Commerce to attend the meet-
ings of the committee would no doubt
be beneficial.

It would, of course, be necessary
to prepare ordinances for the good
government of the city and to take
care that they were impartially en-
forced.

Courts of law and the business of
the coroner could be dealt with by the
police committee.

If your city charter does not per-
mit of the same and good business
like government of the city for the
love of Pete, drop it and start the
new.

W. E. S.

Ocala, Florida.

St. Cloud, Florida, April 8th, 1929.
St. Cloud Tribune, City.

I desire to compliment the Tribune
for the very able article on the pro-
tection of birds. I wish the Tribune
would call on the City Fathers to pass
a law prohibiting boys from running
the streets with air rifles and also
rifles. Also it would be fine if a
license tax was put on cats and the
police ordered to kill any without
such license. In the neighborhood
where the writer lives, the cats, dogs
and boys have killed off most of our
song birds.

CLEAN UP! PAINT UP!

That's the great slogan of a great national movement: "Clean
Up! Paint Up!"

One week in April is always put aside for this worthy cause.
People the country over are urged to be clean—to brush away
the cobwebs in their homes, in their offices, and in their minds.

Clean up and paint up that health may be the rule and not the
exception.

Remember that cleanliness is next to Godliness.

National Clean-Up Week is promoted by a national
organization that has nothing to sell—its aim is merely to promote
greater cleanliness in towns and cities.

It is as high an aim as any organization can have—for cleanli-
ness means health and happiness. And health and happiness are
the twin blessings of life.

Clean Up! Paint Up! Not only your surroundings—give
some thought, too, to the cleanliness of your mind and body.

BASEBALL TIME!

Some people call it Spring.
We call it "Blessing Time."

It's marked by the growth of flowers, the songs of birds, and
an irresistible impulse in every man's heart to "go out and do
something."

Baseball Time is here!

The big teams are all ready for their battles. Men every-
where are already on their local diamonds, batting dull care away.
They are doing something. Strengthening their muscles, intensify-
ing their love of fair play. Playing.

Just watch the excitement! Again we are to hear of the
exploits of the heroes of the diamond, again we are to thrill to
the news of this or that home run.

Again our minds are to be given to the healthiest, happiest
pastime yet invented by man. We are a nation that knows how
to play—which is the same as saying that we know how to live.

THE NECESSARY EVIL

Taxes are a necessary evil. We must have courts, roads,
armies, schools and all those things which are a part of society.

It has often been said that the taxpayer has no complaint;
that for his tax dollar he gets a generous return. But no matter
how true this may be, it is no reason for not protesting against
inefficiency and waste.

Modern business is remarkable chiefly because, through
sounder economic practices and greater efficiency, it has been able
to give more for less money. Government has failed to keep step.

Our local units of government, especially, grow more and more
expensive to maintain. Their slightest act entails duplication of
effort and waste motion and unnecessary expense. And the tax-
payer pays.

Only public protest and public action can raise the standards
of government routine to a high state of efficiency and economy.
There is too little sound business in modern government.

PROOF OF THE PUDDING

Davidson County, North Carolina, has tried out a county
manager plan. A year's results of the plan are worth looking at.

Under the old regime, Davidson County was just as poorly
managed as most counties. Its Board of Commissioners came into
office ignorant of the financial condition of the county and went
out of office not much enlightened. The county had a deficit of
\$255,000. In one year the manager reduced the tax rate, wiped
out \$100,000 of indebtedness, installed centralized purchasing,
raised the county's credit rating in New York from C to A, installed
a budget and an orderly accounting system and saved taxpayers
money on practically every item purchased during the year.

Two interesting examples of money saved were:

Under the old regime tax rolls cost \$181; under the new
\$89. The Tax Abstracts formerly cost \$8.50 per thousand; under
the manager \$4.55.

This is the first time we have heard of the manager plan ap-
plied to a county. If these results are typical of what the plan
can do, the country will undoubtedly see more of it.

A REAL TEST FOR THE MANAGER PLAN

With the news that serious movements in both Philadelphia
and Chicago have been launched for a city manager, the growth of
this form of government in the past few years is worthy of note,
particularly in view of the fact that many cities in our own state
have adopted the plan.

Since 1912, the year of the inauguration of the plan, 399 cities
in the United States have found that the new type of organization
has led the way to increased service and reduced costs in govern-
mental operation.

In a word, the city manager plan is the business principle
applied to government. In a big business, a board of directors
meets and determines policy, and hires a manager to run it. If the
manager does a poor job, he gets fired. If he does a good job,
he remains in office. Consequently his whole motive is to make
a good record for himself.

The same thing is true in the case of the city manager plan;
the manager has nothing to do with politics, nothing to do with
policy. His whole job is that of an expert administrator, whose
aim is to make a good record for himself, to which he can point as
a reason for holding his position, and ultimately getting an increase
in salary.

With the political records of both Philadelphia and Chicago
a black page in government history, it will be interesting to ob-
serve the effect of the business principle in politics, if these large
cities decide to try it.

THE SHORT BALLOT—A POLITICAL SPOTLIGHT

There has been a lot of talk about the short ballot within
the past few years. There will be a lot more as time goes on.
And Osceola county folks, who have heard the phrase in the past,
might well know exactly what the term implies.

In brief, the "short ballot" principle is as follows:

1. That only those offices should be elective which are
important enough to attract and deserve public examination.
2. That very few offices should be filled by election at
one time, so as to permit adequate and unconfused public
examination of the candidates, and so as to facilitate the free
and intelligent making of original tickets by any voter for
himself unaided by political specialists.

What happens when you—Mr. Voter—step into the polls in
a general election? You are handed a huge ballot on which there
are an almost innumerable list of offices, but an extremely small
choice of candidates per office. You find yourself in the position
of a man who goes into a fruit store and finds many different
varieties of fruit, but a limited selection among the varieties; one
or two mushy bananas, a couple of spotted oranges, a few wormy
apples, a soft grapefruit, a handful of grumpy grapes.

What happens? Embarrassed, you point out a choice, the
best you can find among the lot, and walk out, determined never
to enter the store again.

So, when you vote, you leave the booth, disappointed and
disgusted. The sacred privilege of the ballot has only meant that
you have marked a lot of crosses opposite the names of men whom
usually you do not know at all, or in whom frequently you have
little confidence. At the next election you neglect to vote.

The short ballot is a spotlight which focuses the attention of
the electorate upon the important officers of government. It is
enlightened democracy!

MAKING MOTOR CARS SAFER

According to the New York Motor News, examination of one
insurance company's accident report showed that the two most
frequent, serious and costly forms of the 2,100,000 automobile ac-
cidents occurring in a given period were collisions with other auto-
mobiles and skidding.

Claims for the above causes accounted for a great portion
of the money paid out by insurance companies for motor car ac-
cidents during the year.

It has been definitely determined that clearer vision due to
narrower windshield posts and stronger car bodies saves life, limb
and damage in motor car accidents. Railroad companies long ago
discovered the safety of the all-steel coach for passenger cars. In
collisions they do not splinter or catch fire and their use has been
a great factor in reducing railroad casualties. The application of
the all-steel body to the automobile will be as big a step forward
in motor car safety as it was on the railroads.

A NEW WAY TO TELL TIME

Henry Rheinhardt, chairman of the Associated Dress Indus-
tries, Chicago, comes forth with a brand new idea on the moot
problem of the length of skirts.

He suggests that dresses should be worn down to the knee
at noon, and hour by hour longer dresses should be worn until
at midnight the dresses would be as long as in the days of our
grandmothers.

This would give women fashion's authority to change their
frocks every hour. The suggestion has been given serious atten-
tion all over the country.

It is said that this suggestion, if followed, would be a wonder-
ful compromise, pleasing both the advocates of long and short
skirts.

We don't pose as an authority in such matters, but pass the
idea on in the thought that it is interesting at any rate—and would
provide us with a rather charming way of telling the time.

KISSING

Opinions on kissing differ.

First the health experts warned us all against it as a promul-
gator of colds and more serious illnesses.

Now science tells us that kissing is an exercise that makes for
health by speeding up sluggish hearts and increasing the circula-
tion of the blood, and recently a group of chorus girls took part
in a scientific kissing test which showed that the stimulus of kis-
sing created a real good response from a health standpoint.

We are waiting for the doctors to begin prescribing kisses,
and for men and women to walk about with special doctor's cer-
tificates entitling them to spoon in public for the sake of health.

Men who haven't done so far years will begin kissing their
wives with great ardor—what difference that will make in matri-
mony and the entire field of domestic relations!

And then perhaps kissing will be made compulsory in the
interests of science and health. What we are afraid of is that
once this happens people will begin to lose interest in the time-
honored game of osculation.

MORTGAGING THE COMMUNITY

Nothing can be more detrimental to a community's progress
and prosperity than a burden of bonded debt. Private citizens and
industries alike are wary of any locality, no matter what its other
advantages, that has a constantly increasing tax rate. Improve-
ments which require bond issues are liable to turn into white ele-
phants. The debt often remains long after the improvement has
been forgotten. And a generation or more of taxpayers must
pay for it.

For every dollar borrowed on a five per cent serial bond issue
running over 20 years over \$1.50 must be paid back. If the issue
runs 40 years over \$2.00 must be returned. And at the end the
community has often paid out of all proportion to the value of the
improvement gained.

When practical the pay-as-you-go plan should be rigidly ad-
hered to. When not practical, every voting citizen should consider
if the improvement is necessary, or if it will place a further ser-
ious burden on industries and individuals, and if its benefit will be
equivalent to its cost and the interest that must be paid.

Private citizens are careful about mortgaging their homes or
borrowing money when twice as much must eventually be paid
back. The same citizens should exercise the same care and thought
before mortgaging the communities they live in.

THE QUALITY OF MERCY

"The quality of mercy is not strained," said Shakespeare.

But some magistrates are beginning to think that it is. Time
and again they have been under a financial strain due to their own
kindness and mercy. Often a magistrate is moved to such pity
by the plight of a man or woman before him that he digs into
his own pocket to assist the needy person.

Now a little group of men in New York, who themselves started
life in the humblest fashion, have decided to bear the burden of
the magistrates' benevolence. They have thus far raised over
\$7,000 for distribution by the Magistrates in worthy causes, and
expect to raise much more. The fund is already in practical opera-
tion, and magistrates who have it at their disposal no longer need
to dig into their own pocket to help the needy that come before
them.

That is as it should be, and it is our earnest hope that some
such system be adopted throughout the country.

One of the most encouraging signs of progress is the growing
kindness that marks court procedures. Recently a man who stole
a loaf of bread was allowed to retain the loaf and given some
money by a magistrate after he had told his story of poverty and
hunger. In less recent times jail sentence would have been his
lot—in some periods of history he would have undergone dread-
ful torture, with no allowance made for his circumstances.

FORGETTING DIFFERENCES

In the battle of Salamis, when the ancient Persians for a time
threatened the power of the Hellenic forces, Themistocles and Aris-
tides the Just, who had been bitter antagonists in the council of
war, forgot their common differences against a common danger
and helped to wage successful naval battle against the Persian in-
vaders.

This happened 480 years before the beginning of the Chris-
tian era. It contemplates one of many examples in history where
enmity between people in both public and private life is subdued
or banished against a common foe.

Because of the historical and dramatic appeal of this incident
there should be no less reason for its application in the less heroic
affairs of modern life. Especially is the example applicable in com-
munity life where familiarity is likely to breed that contempt which
is so destructive to civic progress.

We as a people in this community are not unlike the Greeks.
For disturbances of our political, civic and social affairs liken us
unto these Greek warriors. But the ends to gain are worthy of
the sacrifice of personal grievances. This sacrifice is necessary
in community activities. Indeed it is indispensable to all progress.

To forget the trivial things that cause unpleasantness and
wage battle for success in local endeavors of a public or semi-public
character is a fine accomplishment. No community can advance as
it should without such a condition.

Two Greek warriors did it in 480 B. C., and thus turned the
tide of the world's history. Any two citizens of your city can do
it and start a new era of civic development.

LOCAL

VISITING

SOCIAL

St. Cloudlets

COMING

PERSONAL

GOING

S. W. Porter, real estate, insurance.

P. W. Pascoe has returned to his northern home.

Visit the H. & S. Grocery for the finest Western and Florida Meats Staple and Fancy Groceries.

J. M. Dunnigan spent the week-end in St. Cloud with his family.

L. C. Kiddle, Dentist, Conn Building. Appointment made.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Furligh left today for their home in Clear Lake, Iowa.

Percy's Barber Shop and Beauty Parlor, Hunter Arms Building. 35-47

Mr. and Mrs. Will Aker left Monday for Kentucky, where they will spend the summer.

Durable concrete blocks give you a better building at LOWER COST. 11-47

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Bolosau left Tuesday for their summer home in Warrensburg, Mo.

Dr. M. B. Cushman, Homeopath and Osteopath. Hours from 9 to 11; 2 to 4, Florida Ave. bet. 16th and 11th. 22-17

P. L. Brown, of Taft, formerly a resident of St. Cloud, was a visitor in St. Cloud Thursday.

BRIDGE PRIZES AT WOMAN'S EXCHANGE.

Mrs. Helen Alter, winter resident of St. Cloud, left for her home in New York Friday, March 29.

Betty Kay Beauty Shoppe, Penn. and 11th St. Phone 95. 48-47

Mrs. A. H. Walker and Mrs. L. G. Kelley will leave Saturday for their homes in Alliance, Ohio.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR ALL MAGAZINES TAKEN AT WOMAN'S EXCHANGE.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Warner and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Nagel left Tuesday for their homes in Ohio.

FLORIDA SOUVENIRS AND GIFTS AT WOMAN'S EXCHANGE.

Miss Marguerite Egley, of Orlando, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Egley in St. Cloud Sunday.

Headquarters for fresh green vegetables. Bailey's. 17

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ferguson motored to Lake Wales Sunday to attend the Bok carillon concert at Mountain Lake.

Newgate's Transfer, successor to J. D. Harris. Phone 81, write Box 39, or hall track. 21-47

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Moore, who spent the winter at their home on Minnesota avenue, left last week for Battle Creek, Mich. They expect to return early next season.

Dr. J. D. Chunn, Physician and Surgeon. Office next door to Ford Garage Pennsylvania. Phone at office and residence.

Russell Diefendorf, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Diefendorf, left Monday for Hampton Roads, Va., naval base, after spending two weeks' furlough in St. Cloud. He will be assigned to sea duty immediately on his return.

Milk from registered Ayreshires and Jerseys. T. B. tested. 1 1/2 quart. Model Dairy Farms. Brooks and Sem. 5-47

Mrs. Orval Nelson, of Greenacres, Ind., arrived in St. Cloud Sunday, having been called here on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Ed Walker, whose death occurred Tuesday morning.

PUFFLES For Salads, Desserts, Grapes, Refreshments. The Balanced Health Food Gratin Shop. A free demonstration will be conducted any afternoon between 2 and 4 except Sunday. MRS. FRANK E. PHILLIPS, 222 N. Illinois Ave. St. Cloud, Florida. 32-47

Miss Margaret Fisk of Orlando, Mrs. Staudman, Mrs. Barton, and Mrs. Pilgrage of Arlington, N. J., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Eisenstein Monday, April 1.

Largest and best equipped meat market in the city at Bailey's. 17

Mrs. L. O. Graham and son, Marion, left Monday for Angola, Indiana, where they will spend the summer months.

Mrs. M. R. Ross, of 211 Pennsylvania avenue, and her niece, Mrs. G. W. McCullough, of Dayton, Ohio, left Tuesday for their homes in Ohio.

DRESSMAKING—Neat and careful work at reasonable prices. Children's school clothes a specialty. Mrs. F. B. Kenney, Cor. Fla. Ave. and 14th St.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bates and children will leave this week for their home in Hattsville, Ohio, after spending the winter at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Crandall, H. L. Crandall, and Mr. and Mrs. Stearns left last week for New York City and Washington, D. C.

Try our H. & S. Blend Coffee. We have installed a coffee mill. Have your coffee ground while you wait. H. & S. Groceries. 14-47

Mrs. M. E. Shand, of British Columbia, Canada, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Furligh left Wednesday for Washington, D. C.

Riley Guy left this week with friends by motor for Jamestown, N. Y., where he has accepted a position in a garage with his brother, Kenneth Jones.

Insure and lid your house for rent with me before leaving. Leroy Lackey. 33-47

G. H. Rice, Miss Hettie Rice, Mrs. S. Rice-Miller and Miss Althea Miller are spending Wednesday and Thursday in Orlando attending the G. A. R. Encampment.

The Interstate Association will hold their last meeting for this season at the club house at city park on April 18. Ice cream and cake will be served at this farewell gathering.

Dr. Wm. H. Dodds, Physician and Surgeon, office Eleventh and Penna. Ave. Day and Night calls promptly attended.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Skuse and children, Thelma and Kenneth, left Saturday by motor for Geneva, N. Y. Mr. Skuse's mother, Mrs. Minerva Skuse, and his daughter, Ruth, will remain until the close of the schools for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Belknap accompanied by Mrs. L. L. Lockard left last Wednesday for Anamosa, Iowa. The remains of Rev. L. L. Lockard will be sent to Anamosa, Iowa, on Monday, April 15. Miss Nellie Wolford will accompany the body.

Fresh fish—the only place in town to get them is Bailey's. 17

Mr. and Mrs. Byron A. Simpson, of Omaha, Neb., who have been touring the South this winter, were the guests of Miss Bertha Norris and her mother last Friday at their home on Massachusetts avenue. The Simpsons are now enroute to their summer home in Nisewa, Minn.

Dr. H. N. Campbell, pastor of the Presbyterian church, S. G. McDowell, elder; Mrs. Grace Liggett, Mrs. Gertrude Rodgers and Mrs. John Somerville, delegates, are attending the Presbytery and Presbyterial at Anuradale, which opened Wednesday evening and continued through today.

Mrs. Willard E. Buell and Miss Elizabeth Christie, who have been guests of Dr. and Mrs. H. N. Campbell, have returned to Washington, D. C. Mrs. Buell is a niece of the Campbells. Mrs. John A. Hyndman, sister of Dr. and Mrs. H. N. Campbell, has returned to her home in Philadelphia, Pa., after a delightful two months' visit here.

J. L. Winder has returned to New Castle, Pa.

Capt. Clay Johnson of Kalamazoo visited friends in St. Cloud Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown and son Jack Winder, will leave tomorrow for their home in Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sheppard left Tuesday by motor for their summer home at Walloon Lake, Michigan.

Why not let us haul trunk? Give us a trial. Howards Transfer. 25-47

Mrs. A. G. Bosron and Miss Vesta Walker will leave Monday by motor for their home in Kingman, Kansas, after spending the winter with the former's sister Mrs. G. H. Prescott.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Simpson, of Omaha, Nebraska, Mrs. Martin Norris and daughter, Miss Bertha Norris, motored to Mountain Lake Wednesday to attend the Bok carillon concert.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Kenton and son A. E. Kenton, who have spent the winter at their Massachusetts avenue home, left Tuesday to return to Mayville, Kentucky to spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Brown, of Chattanooga, Tenn., who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, left Wednesday to return to their home in Tennessee after a tour of the state.

Mrs. S. H. Bullock and Mrs. G. W. Best and daughter, of Kalamazoo, attended the reception given by St. Luke's League at the Hunter Arms Monday afternoon and visited friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Blackburn, of Beardsley, Minn., Mrs. W. A. Anderson, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Blackburn have returned from a motor trip to cities on the East coast, returning home via the West coast.

Mrs. W. A. Anderson, of Minneapolis, Minn., has been the guest of her sister Mrs. W. J. Blackburn, for two weeks. She was accompanied by her nephew, E. G. Blackburn, of Beardsley, Minn., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Blackburn. They will leave Tuesday by motor to return to Minneapolis, via Detroit, Michigan, where they will visit. Mrs. E. G. Blackburn and children, who have been visiting here, will accompany them on their return.

"MISS CHERRY BLOSSOM" TO BE PRESENTED AT HIGH SCHOOL FRIDAY EVENING

The Saint Cloud High School will present an opera, "Miss Cherry Blossom" in the high school auditorium on Friday evening April 19 at 8:15 o'clock. Miss Williams, the director, and the entire cast have been working faithfully on this opera and they promise an evening of real entertainment.

The story is as follows: Miss Evelyn Barnes an American girl born in Japan and whose parents die of fever, is brought up as a Japanese maiden. Her father's secretary uses her property for his own ends. When Evelyn, who is known as Cherry Blossom, is about eighteen Worthington (the secretary) returns to Japan on his yacht with a party of American friends. One of them, Jack Smith, falls in love with Cherry and wishes to marry her but Kokono who has brought her up as his own daughter, wants her to marry Togo, a rich politician. The action of the piece centers around Jack's efforts to outwit Togo and Kokono. Eventually Cherry learns her true identity, comes into her own property, marries Jack, and all ends happily.

Cast of Characters
Cherry Blossom — June Johnson
Kokono — Theophilus Hingonath
Jack Smith — Dwight Sutton
Harry Jones — G. M. Moses Jr.
Horace Worthington — Jay Morin
James Young — Jay Johnston
Jessen Vanderpool — Madelyn Rode
Togo — Kenneth McGill

Chorus
Gelsia Girls: Abbie Farr, Elizabeth Dunnigan, Mae Palmer, Virginia Davis, Eunice Ross, Juanita Johnson, Carrie Walters, and Marie Sabo.
American chorus: Frances Connolly MacPherson, Mary Parker, Jessie Lou Clark, Christine Hickman, Leora Mix, Glenn Townsend, Tom Palmer, Karl Allison, Randall Seaton, Theo George and Yueli Keen.

NEW BOOKS PURCHASED FOR VETERANS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Silas Bradford's Boy by Joseph Lincoln; A Lantern In Her Hand by Bess Streeter Aldrich; Jeanne by Theda Kenyon; A Woman of Fifty by Ilse C. Dorr; Little Dramas by Wm. Ford Mauley.

Books Given by Miss Clara Reynolds
The Lone Star Ranger by Zane Grey; Every Queen by Spencer; Deserted Village, The Traveller by Goldsmith; From Jest to Earnest by E. P. Roe; Autocrat of Breakfast Table by Holmes; Because of Stephen by Grace L. Hill; The Conquest of Canaan by Booth Tarkington; Hypatia by Kingsley; Idle Thoughts of an Idle Man by Jerome; Stephen, A Soldier of the Cross by F. Kingsley; Life of James Garfield by Green; The Turned by B. Tarkington; The Second Generation by David G. Phillips; The Man of the Hour by Octave Thanaud; The Shepherd of the Hills by Harold B. Wright; Stables in Character by Carol Norton; Story of a Whim by Grace L. Hill; The Gentleman from Indiana by B. Tarkington; When a Man's a Man by Harold B. Wright; Not Like Other Girls by Ross Casey; Mothers by Laura M. Adams; The Christ by E. Egleston; The Song of Cardinal by Gene S. Porter; Helen's Babies by J. Haberton; Women of the Hills by Mrs. Martyn; Black Rock by Ralph Connor; Roster of Iowa Soldiers; Life of Frances Willard by Anna Gordon.

Society

MRS. W. D. EISENSTEIN ENTERTAINS BRIDGE CLUB SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. W. D. Eisenstein, assisted by Mrs. D. P. Eisenstein of Orlando, was hostess at bridge Saturday afternoon, entertaining the members of her bridge club and several other guests at her home on Massachusetts avenue.

Mrs. Aaron Story was high scorer for the afternoon and Mrs. H. L. Godwin held low score. Prizes were awarded after scores were totaled. Mrs. Staudman of Orlando received guest prize.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served after the card games.

Guests were Misses Margaret Fisk and Gertrude Lysett, of Orlando, and Mrs. Stensman and Mrs. Barton, of Arlington N. J. Members of the club present were Mrs. H. S. Dawley, Mrs. A. C. Bole, Mrs. J. D. Chunn, Mrs. H. F. Zetroner, Mrs. Roy Cottrell, Mrs. Victor Hill, Mrs. Katherine Farr-French, Miss Mary Myers, Mrs. H. L. Godwin, Mrs. Aaron Story, Mrs. Herbert Bates, Mrs. W. C. Burns, Mrs. L. E. Trickle, Mrs. A. J. Allison, Mrs. M. G. Schatzman, Mrs. D. Langston, Mrs. D. P. Eisenstein, Mrs. P. Sherman, Mrs. C. A. Bailey and Mrs. Calvin Parker.

TUESDAY BRIDGE CLUB ENTERTAINED BY MR. AND MRS. A. J. GEIGER

Members of the Tuesday Evening Bridge Club were entertained this week by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Geiger at their home on New York avenue. Miss Jackson, hostess and C. A. Bailey were awarded high score prizes when scores were counted.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Parker, Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Riddle, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Zetroner, Mrs. John Martin, Mrs. Calvin Parker, Miss Kathleen Goff, Mrs. Katherine Farr-French and Mrs. H. S. Dawley.

CAPT. AND MRS. CRAWFORD ENTERTAIN AT BENEFIT PARTY FOR ST. LUKE'S LEAGUE

Captain and Mrs. J. H. Crawford, of Connecticut avenue, entertained at a bridge and five hundred party Wednesday evening at their home for the benefit of St. Luke's League.

Refreshments of ice cream, cake and punch were served at the conclusion of the evening of cards.

MRS. BROWNLEE AND MRS. ELLIS ARE HOSTESSES AT DELIGHTFUL SOCIAL AFFAIR

One of the most delightful social affairs of this season was the bridge and five hundred party given by Mrs. Jessie Brownlee and Mrs. Helen Ellis in the spacious dining room of the St. Cloud Hotel Friday afternoon, when eighteen tables of cards were entertained. The guest of honor was Mrs. Brownlee's aunt, Mrs. D. M. Wilson, of Chicago, Ill., and Tampa, Fla., who is her guest.

The decorations were unusually beautiful. The central columns in the dining room were festooned with Spanish moss banked with pink and white daisies and bougainvillea.

Several delightful musical numbers were rendered during the afternoon. Mrs. F. D. Chase received high score prize for bridge, Mrs. Marguerite Jefferys high score prize for dominoes, and Mrs. Sam Hour, high score prize for five hundred.

Delicious refreshments were served after prizes were awarded.

The invited guests were: Mrs. J. P. Becker, Mrs. W. G. Packham, Mrs. Katherine James, Mrs. Lydia Bethune, Mrs. R. S. Nesbit, Mrs. S. Rice-Miller, Miss Hettie Rice, Miss Althea Miller, Mrs. A. L. Barlow, Dr. Clara McClaran, Mrs. Doane, Mrs. Grace Callins, Mrs. J. W. Mallett, Mrs. J. J. Hoelan, Mrs. Elsie Knell, Mrs. Fink, Mrs. Kingsley, Mrs. Cruessers, Mrs. May P. Foster, Mrs. J. L. Pickett, Mrs. L. T. Paxson, Mrs. Genevieve Gunnison, Mrs. J. M. Empson, Mrs.

F. H. Woodcock, Mrs. A. G. Demmon, Mrs. Wm. Dodds, Mrs. Dan Smith, Mrs. O. M. Guerdum, Mrs. Grace Mitchell, Miss Ella Kraemer, Mrs. Katherine Pierce, Mrs. A. C. Ellis, Mrs. Helen B. Strait, Mrs. Kittle Gannett, Mrs. Nettie Severn, Mrs. F. D. Chase, Mrs. J. R. Van Mater, Mrs. C. J. Bailey, of Jacksonville, Miss Anna Hoppe, Mrs. J. M. Raymond, Mrs. A. L. Beck, Mrs. Dorothies Jacques, Mrs. Gertrude Rodgers, Mrs. Leroy Lackey, Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Neal Harden, Mrs. B. L. Stoen, Mrs. Otto Ward, Mrs. Donald McLabi, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, Mrs. Ed George, Mrs. Don Stevens, Mrs. Sam Brammar, Mrs. Mabel Tracey, Mrs. M. A. Rush, Mrs. Katherine Abarne, Mrs. A. P. Clark, Dr. Jesse Briggs, Mrs. Dan Smith, Mrs. J. Phillips, Mrs. T. N. Rockwell, Mrs. McAllister, Mrs. A. H. Holm, Mrs. James, Mrs. Etha Elliott, Mrs. Abbie K. Sheffield, Mrs. Geo. Barber, Mrs. F. R. Seymour, Mrs. S. E. Miller, Mrs. Ella Hopkins, Mrs. Eugene Walford, Mrs. Newcomb, Mrs. Eda Turner, Mrs. Joseph Cohen, Mrs. Fanny Rowland, Mrs. I. H. Scott, Miss Louise Hoppe and the honor guests, Mrs. D. M. Wilson, of Tampa, Mrs. R. Mc Calister, Mrs. Sam Hour, Mrs. S. Lackey, Mrs. John Jefferys, Mrs. M. Lord.

ST. LUKE'S LEAGUE GIVES RECEPTION AT HUNTER ARMS HOTEL

The women of St. Luke's League entertained the Kalamazoo League at a reception from 3 to 5 o'clock Monday afternoon in the beautiful lobby of the Hunter Arms Hotel. Over 50 guests were present.

During the afternoon readings were given by Mrs. F. D. Chase, Mrs. Ash, Mrs. J. R. Van Mater and Mrs. W. B. Rush, and Mrs. Dorothy M. Taylor sang a pleasing group of songs.

A discussion of ways and means and other problems of importance to the church followed, after which refreshments of brick ice cream, cake and punch were served.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Miss Ella Kraemer, Mrs. Grace Mitchell and Mrs. F. D. Chase.

LUNCHEON AT COLONIAL CLUB INN

Mrs. S. Rice-Miller was hostess Monday afternoon at the Colonial Club Inn in Kalamazoo, entertaining twenty guests at a delightful luncheon.

ST. CLOUD AND KISSIMMEE TOURISTS ENJOY PICNIC AT FISH LAKE

The tourists from St. Cloud and Kissimmee to the number of about fifty together with local residents from both cities, making up a crowd of sixty or so, assembled at the lake shore home of F. A. Stroup on Fish Lake, Thursday and enjoyed a picnic dinner.

There was an abundance of "good eats," speech making, vocal and instrumental music. Mr. D. L. Smith, president of the St. Cloud Tourist Club, and Mr. R. B. Boyland, vice-president of the Kissimmee Tourist Club, were among the speakers.

Citizens from the states of Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, California, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts, Maine, Missouri, and Wisconsin were present.

That good fellowship that should prevail among mankind was generously manifest. Everybody had a delightful time and their picture taken besides.

The program was in charge of Mrs. Geo. W. Cary, of Kissimmee, and Mrs. C. J. Misor, of St. Cloud.

A fine lot of folks come to Florida as our winter visitors, and as hosts we ought to recognize this asset by assisting nature's gracious blessings in making their sojourn one of pleasant memories.

It is good to have money and the things that money can buy, but it's good, too, to check up once in a while and make sure you haven't lost the things that money can't buy.—Lorimer.

RELIEF FROM CURSE OF CONSTIPATION

A Battle Creek physician says, constipation is responsible for more misery than any other cause.

But immediate relief has been found. A tablet called Rexall Orderlies has been discovered. This tablet attracts water from the system into the large, dry, evacuating bowel called the colon. The water loosens the dry food waste and causes a gentle, thorough, natural movement without forming a habit or ever increasing the dose.

Stop suffering from constipation. Chew a Rexall Orderly at night. Next day bright. Get 24 for 25c today at the Rexall Drug Store, Edwards Pharmacy.

SERMONETTES

By REV. A. R. ADAMS, Pastor Christian Church

Boost and the world boosts with you, grouch and they let you alone.

You will never get anywhere if you stop to throw rocks at every ear that barks at you.

The tale bearer and the listener ought to be hung, one by the ear and the other by the tongue.

We like to listen to the song birds sing, but we don't like to hear a raven creak. What kind of a bird are you?

If you cannot disagree with a man and be his friend you don't know the meaning of the word, "Friendship."

I don't want the people who throw bricks at me while I am living to bring flowers to my grave when I am dead.

Do you ever call your minister or editor of your local newspaper up and praise them for the work they are doing in the community or do you wait until they make a mistake and then call them down?

When I meet a fellow who gives me the Klonike stare because I did not happen to be born in his state, or belong to his political party or sect, I feel like praying "Lord forgive him for perhaps, he don't know any better."

The name of Jesus Christ is woven into national fabric. Our civilization rests upon his teachings. The man, who never goes to church, is a pretty poor American citizen.

It matters not where they were born south, north, or east or west. No man on earth deserves our scorn who does his level best.

There are a set of malicious, prating, prurient gossips, both male and female, who murder characters to kill time, and will rob a young fellow of his good name before he has years to know the value of it.—Richard Brinsley Sheridan.

The days be hard and trade be tough, it's always well to make a bluff, to face the world with cheerful eye, as the geese were harping high.—Walt Mason.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR SALE—Two fine 7 mo. old Rhode Island Red roosters for stock; also four year and half old hens. Mrs. J. M. Raymond, Cypress and Ohio. 34-17

FOR SALE—1 1/2 H. P. irrigating outfit. Pump and engine on slide. \$75.00. Bailey's Grocery. 34-17

LOST—Small cameo brooch about two weeks ago. Reward. Leave at Tribune office. 24-29p

GOING TO PENNA.—Will take passengers to share expenses. Write P. O. Box 785. Can give references. 24-11p

Statement of the condition of the Citizens State Bank at close of business April 10th, 1929.

RESOURCES (What We Own)	
Cash on hand and in banks	\$ 71,154.39
Liberty Bonds	28,341.00
Municipal Bonds	2,750.00
Loans	50,478.01
Banking house and fixtures	12,730.00
Other assets	131.81
Total	\$160,606.01
LIABILITIES	
Deposits	\$124,695.48
Capital stock	20,000.00
Surplus	5,000.00
Undivided profits	912.58
Total	\$160,606.01

Our deposits have increased more than \$20,000.00 in the past year, building up a steady normal increase of monies of the community. More than 70% of all deposits are represented by cash and bonds, immediately available if cash is needed, while loans are made on property, bonds and securities of a value far in excess of the loan. 4% interest on time deposits with the ultimate of safety.

THE CITIZENS STATE BANK, St. Cloud, Florida

WE THANK YOU

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all our old friends and customers of the

White Way Barbecue

for their support in the past two years, and hope that all the old as well as many new customers will patronize the new owners as they have all our secrets for excellent cooking and baking.

GRAY and LAURAIN

L. M. PARKER CHECKED OUT AS CITY TAX ATTORNEY WEDNESDAY

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when Attorney Steel, then city attorney and prospective city tax attorney, had Manager Working call Mr. Parker into the city hall for a conference relative to the matter.

Then Mr. L. M. Parker says he requested to Manager Working and Attorney Steel what he had previously said to Manager Working, namely, that any time the manager saw fit to request a change in the office he was anxious, willing and ready to surrender all books, but was not willing to surrender the books on the action of the city commission.

Whereupon Manager Working dictated the following letter to Mr. Parker:

"St. Cloud, Fla., Feb. 26, 1929.
Mr. L. M. Parker, City Tax Attorney, St. Cloud, Fla.:

"Dear Mr. Parker:
"On November 16th, 1928, the city commission adopted a resolution attempting to relieve you of the duties of city tax attorney. While I am not prepared to state whether the city tax attorney is an appointive office of the city commission or the city manager, however, should it develop that it is an appointive office of the city manager, it is my request that you immediately turn over to me all of the city records you hold in connection with the office of city tax attorney of St. Cloud.

"Please understand, Mr. Parker, that I have no criticism to make of your conduct of the office, nor is there any indication that you have not promptly turned over to the city all funds belonging to it. However, for reasons with which you are no doubt familiar, I deem it advisable to take this action.

"Assuring you of my very highest esteem, I am,

"Yours very truly,
"H. G. WOLKING,
City Manager."

At this time it was agreed that there was a balance due Mr. Parker from the city on delinquent taxes paid. This sum was not paid, neither was there any further demand for the books until Wednesday of this week, when the matter was adjusted and Mr. Parker formally released from the office.

The following is the report of the auditors checking Mr. Parker out:

"St. Cloud, Fla., April 10, 1929.
"We hereby certify that we have audited the books of Mr. L. M. Parker, city tax attorney, and all funds as shown by the receipts have been turned over to the City of St. Cloud, and that there was no discrepancy existing.

"Signed: Joseph Hartman and Associates, R. H. L. HAECK."

False Rumors Corrected.

Editor Tribune:
Will you please publish the following letters in order to correct certain false rumors that are and have been afloat regarding a certain transaction

PETERSON'S PLUMBING SHOP

Sanitary Plumbing and Repairing
Hot Water Appliances
11th St. & Penn. Ave.
P. O. BOX 1184

LAKEVIEW DAIRY

Milk Depot
BOUTELLE'S
DE LUXE MARKET
PEXIE GARAGE

A Real Home For Funerals

Our new funeral home is one of the best equipped establishments of its sort in the state.

Everything within its walls has been ordered with a view to comfort, convenience and a soothing atmosphere. A beautifully arranged chapel, with private retiring rooms and exits facilitate the service.

—all arrangements and equipment at your disposal when needed at reasonable rates.

PHONE 90

EISELSTEIN BROS. Morticians

GENERAL INSURANCE
Fire, Automobile, Plate Glass, Accident, Surety Bonds—Anything in the Insurance Line

Information on Rates Cheerfully Furnished
The Oldest Agency in the City

S. W. PORTER

Real Estate & Insurance
Notary Public
Porter Bldg. Pennsylvania Ave.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS SEEK PLACE AMONG COMRADES IN CONGENIAL CLIMATE

That the descendants of veterans will make St. Cloud a "Veterans' Colony" for all time to come is indicated by many inquiries that are received from time to time from Sons of Union Veterans, Spanish War Veterans and Veterans of the World War.

The Tribune has always contended that this city will be a veterans' home town for a long time in the future. When, as time deals gently with the climbing ranks of the Union War Veterans, their numbers diminish with each annual roll call, their sons and grandchildren will take their place in this city, and even now this section is appealing to the Veterans of the Spanish-American War, while the Sons of Union Veterans and even those of the World War are looking to St. Cloud for their future home. When the time comes that the roll of Spanish War Veterans is erased by the Great Reaper, St. Cloud will be filling by the new young veterans of the late World War, and history indicates that long before their numbers have diminished there will have been some other war involving America that will provide a list of more veterans. Time, too, will prove that St. Cloud is the ideal place for the future generations to spend their declining years. A letter received this week from a Son of a Union Veteran of the Civil War, addressed to John P. Bailey, Commander of the local S. U. V. C. W., indicates that there are number of sons of veterans at Boston looking this way for making their home in the very near future. The letter is as follows:

Falmouth, Mass., April 1, 1929.
John P. Bailey, Commander,
Department Alabama and Tennessee,
Sons of Union Veterans
of the Civil War,
St. Cloud, Florida.
Dear Commander and Brother:

Will you please send me any information available of your city of St. Cloud and nearby surrounding territory. Copy of paper, map, anything useful to brother members that would like to locate in a more congenial climate and still be near veterans or their sons.

I extend to you and the brothers of your department sincere greetings of the Massachusetts Department S. U. V. C. W.

I enclose stamps to cover cost of reply, which we await with interest. Sincerely and loyally in F. L. and L. G. R. STRATTON,
Dept. Patriotic Instructor.

The city commission met in recessed session at 10:00 a. m., April 10, 1929.

Present: F. D. Chase, mayor-commissioner; C. W. Wiley and David Peck, commissioners; E. O. Ward, city manager.

In the matter of erroneous valuation on the Hunter Arms Hotel building and property, after investigation and discussion it was moved by Wiley, seconded by Peck and carried unanimously to reduce the valuation to \$75,000.00.

In the matter of out of town buses carrying passengers from St. Cloud, it was moved and carried unanimously that the city collect from Mr. Palmer the sum of \$5.00 covering licenses on the two buses carrying passengers from St. Cloud to Orlando on April 8, 1929.

Sanitary Sewer Repair
In the matter of sanitary sewer repair, Mayor Chase proposes to make a thorough survey of the entire system without any charge for his service.

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Peck, that Mayor Chase be authorized to make such survey under the supervision of the city manager and the monies now in the sewer fund be used in making necessary repairs. Carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned to meet at 12 o'clock.

F. D. CHASE,
Mayor-Commissioner.
Attest:
E. O. WARD,
City Manager.

NEW ENGLAND SOCIETY HOLDS LAST MEET FOR SEASON

The New England Society held their last meeting for the season at the Tourist Club house on Monday afternoon, at which a splendid program was rendered, and steps taken to assist in the efforts to locate a soldiers' home in St. Cloud.

The president called the meeting to order and the Florida song was rendered, followed by prayer. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Ford, of the Spanish war veterans, spoke on behalf of the committee working for the soldiers' home to be located in Florida, and urged all present to get in line with their congressmen and senators on their return to the northern homes. A roll call of states showed the following representation: Maine, 12; New Hampshire, 5; Vermont, 6; Massachusetts, 10; Rhode Island, 2; Connecticut, 14; a total of 49, and there were 57 visitors in the audience.

Mrs. Mann had charge of the following program:

Two piano solos by Mrs. Lindholm. Reading, "My Son," by Mrs. Whitely. Song, (by request), "Ramona" and encore "Sleep My Baby," by Mrs. Palmer, with Miss Nesbit accompanying on the piano.

Story of the Early West by Mrs. Wilson.

Imitation of Cicero by Mrs. Rose Brown.

Piano solo, by Mrs. Minnie Barber. Reading, "Mother Love," by Mrs. Abbott.

A poem in Negro dialect, by Eda Turner.

Song, "Old Time Religion."

Adjournment was taken until the second Monday in November, 1929.

ODD FELLOWS GIVE FIRST DEGREE WORK

Tuesday evening the local lodge of Odd Fellows administered the first degree of that order to candidates endeavoring to prove themselves worthy of becoming members of the lodge.

The session lasted well into the midnight hours, indicating that there was a good attendance, and that the candidates got a good lesson.

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

William Schaw author of "The Schaw Statute" which were found in the earliest known records of the Lodge of Edinburgh (St. Mary's Chapter), said to be the oldest existing lodge in the world today died April 18, 1692 at Dunfermline, Scotland.

William Augustus, Duke of Cumberland, was born at London April 26, 1721 and was initiated into Masonry in 1743.

Maj. Henry Price was appointed first Provincial Grand Master of New England, April 30, 1733, by the Grand Master of England.

Gen. Rufus Putnam, Revolutionary patriot and a member of American Union Lodge No. 1, was born at Sutton, Worcester Co., Mass., April 9, 1738.

Col. Daniel Cox who was appointed Provincial Grand Master of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania by the Grand Master of England, died at Trenton, N. J., April 25, 1739.

Oliver Ellsworth, Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, was born at Windsor, Conn., April 29, 1745.

Maj. Gen. Richard Gridley of Revolutionary fame was made a Mason in St. John's Lodge, Boston, Mass., April 4, 1746, subsequently becoming Grand Master of Massachusetts.

James Monroe, fifth president of the United States, was born in Westmoreland County, Va., April 28, 1758. While a student attending William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., he was "preferred, received and initiated for passed, accepted and entered an apprentice" in Williamsburg (Va.) Lodge No. 8.

Robert R. Livingston, acting as the Grand Master of New York, constituted Solomon's Lodge No. 1 at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and also installed its officers April 18, 1771.

Mrs. Aldworth (Elizabeth St. Ledger), the lady Freemason died at Cork, Ireland, during April, 1773.

Gen. Mordecai Gist, Grand Master of South Carolina (1790-91), received the Fellowship Degree in Lodge No. 14, Baltimore, Md., April 11, 1775. On April 25 of that year he received the Master Mason Degree.

Joseph Brant (Thayendanege), a Mohawk Indian Chief, was made a Mason in London, England, April 26, 1776, in a lodge meeting at "The Palace."

Henry Clay, famous American statesman and Grand Master of Kentucky (1820), was born at "The Shilohs", Hanover Co., Va., April 12, 1777.

John D. Warren, M. D., a patriot of the Revolution and Grand Master of Massachusetts (1785), became a member of St. Andrew's Lodge, Boston, Mass., April 18, 1777.

Voltaire was made a Mason in the Lodge of the Nine Sisters, Paris, France, April 7, 1778.

Josiah Bartlett, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, was on April 13, 1780, elected and initiated in Union Lodge No. 40, Danbury, Conn., and was passed to the Degree of Fellowship April 24 of that year.

Benjamin Franklin, an outstanding figure of the American Revolution and a signer of the Declaration of Independence, was elected Venerable d'Honneur of Lodge de Saint Jean de Jerusalem, April 24, 1785. His death occurred at Philadelphia, Pa., April 17, 1790.

William Rufus King, thirteenth vice president of the United States (1853), was born in Sampson County, N. C., April 6, 1786, and died at Cahawba, Ala., April 18, 1853. He was a member of Phoenix Lodge No. 8, Fayetteville, N. C.

Gen. George Washington became Charter Master of Alexandria Lodge No. 29 when charter was issued to it by the Grand Lodge of Virginia April 22, 1788, this lodge having previously held its charter under the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

RED HAIRED GIRLS AT COLLEGE CLAIM TO BE SWEET TEMPERED

FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE, Tallahassee, March 30.—Girls at Florida State College who have red hair are proud of it.

Recently a writer for the student newspaper asked twenty girls having red hair to find whether they were glad of it. Twelve of the twenty handed in an affirmative "aye" while eight replied in the negative. All twenty of the girls replied "no" when asked whether they thought red haired girls have worse tempers than others.

COCKNEY IMPERSONATOR OF GAY NINETIES IS DEAD

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., May Mudge, known on the stage of Europe and America during the "gay nineties" as May Belfort, died in this city Friday night after a lingering illness.

Her Cockney songs and impersonations made her the toast of Paris and London 35 years ago. She was equally popular in New York where she scored many stage successes.

JOINS MacDONALD TO CONTROL FIRST NATIONAL

BROOKSVILLE, March 30.—Reorganization of the First National Bank of Brooksville, with control of the institution passing into the hands of new interests, was announced here today. Raymond Robins of Brooksville and New York, and William P. MacDonald of Lakeland and New York, have taken over control. F. D. Cougher, attorney and candidate in the last election for the state senate, will be president of the bank under the reorganization plan.

OKLAHOMA SESSION FINALLY ADJOURNED

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—The regular biennial session of the Oklahoma legislature which removed Governor Henry R. Johnston and impeached three justices of the state supreme court adjourned Saturday night.

A special session will be called by Governor W. J. Holloway, who succeeded Johnston, to enact legislation sidetracked by investigative activities of the regular session. In the meantime, the senate court of impeachment will meet April 15 for the trials of Chief Justice Charles W. Mason, Justice Fletcher Riley and Justice J. W. Clark, all of whom have been suspended from office. The justices face a series of impeachment articles alleging corruption in office.

28, 1788, this lodge having previously held its charter under the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Hoover Secretary



George A. Peterson, who is the secretary to President Herbert Hoover.

Watch Next Week for the First Installment of



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THE DESPERATE LOVER

By E. Phillips Oppenheim

ILLUSTRATED BY FRANK ADAMS

TWELFTH INSTALLMENT

His withered figure seemed to have gathered strength and dignity, and his appearance and tone, as he gazed scornfully down at the girl at his feet, was full of a strange dramatic force. Her heart sank as she listened to him. This was no idle, vulgar passion, no morbid craving for evil, which animated him. It was a purpose which had become hallowed to him; something which he had come to look upon as his sacred right. She understood how her drawing back must seem to him. As though a flash of light had laid bare his mind, she saw how weak, how pitifully weak, any words of hers must sound, so she was silent.

He had commenced walking up and down the room; and, watching him fearfully, she saw that his manner was gradually changing. The unnatural calm into which he had momentarily relapsed was leaving him, and he was becoming every moment more and more excited. Fire flashed in his eyes, and he was muttering broken words and sentences to himself. Once he raised his clasped hands to the roof in a threatening gesture, and in the act of doing so she saw the blue flash of a stiletto in his breast pocket. It frightened her, and she moved toward the door.

It seemed almost as though he read her purpose in her terror-stricken face, and it maddened him. He caught her by the wrist and thrust her back. "You shall not leave this room, girl!" he cried. "Wait, and soon I will bring you news!"

She stood, still panting, overcome for a moment by the strength of his grip. Before she could recover herself, he had caught up his hat and was gone. Outside, she heard the sound of a key in the lock. She was a prisoner!

Her first thought was the window. Alas! it was too small even for her to get her head through. She cried out. No one answered; there was no one to answer. She was alone in the cottage, and helpless, and away over the cliffs, toward Malory Grange, she could see a small, dark figure walking steadily along, with bent head

and swift steps. The cottage stood by itself, a mile from the village, and was approached only by a stiff path. She turned away from the window in despair. It seemed to her then that the time for her final sacrifice had indeed come.

It was a warm, drowsy morning, and the air which floated in through the open lattice window was heavy with the perfume of flowers, mingled with the faint ozone of the sea. Outside, the placid silence was broken only by the murmurs of the sea and the soft lapping of the tide upon the shingly sands. Within the room, a pale-faced girl knelt upon the floor, with her long, slim fingers stretched upward, and the passionate despair of death in her cold, white features. The sunshine laughed upon her hair, and glanced around her, bathing her beautiful face in its fresh, bright glory. Was it an answer to her prayer, she wondered—her prayer for peace and forgiveness? Oh, that it might be so! God grant it!

There was no fear in her face, though only a moment before she had taken out and swallowed the contents of that little packet of poison which had burned in her bosom for those last few days. But there had been just one passing shade of bitterness. Her life had been so short, so joyless, until there had come to her that brief taste of wonderful, amazing happiness. She was young to die—to die with the delirium of that passionate joy still burning in her veins.

"Yet, after all, it is best," she whispered softly, at the end of that unspoken prayer; and with those words of calm resignation, a change crept softly in upon her face. It seemed almost as though, while yet on earth, there had come to her a touch of that exquisite spiritual beauty which follows only upon the extinction of all earthly passion, and the uplifting into a purer, sweeter life. And her eyes closed upon the sunlight, and darkness stole in upon her senses. She lay quite still upon the floor; but the smile still lingered upon her lips, making her face more lovely even in its cold repose than when the glow of

youth and life had shone in her dark, clear eyes, and lent expression to her features. Malice like St. Francis of Assisi may die thus, but seldom women.

"Help! For God's sake, help!"

A woman's cry of agony rang out upon the sweet morning stillness. Count Marioni, who had been hurrying on with downcast head, stood still in the cliff path and lifted his head. It was the woman whose memory he had cursed who stood before him—the woman on which his vengeance was to fall.

Her face was as white as his own, and in the swiftness of her flight her hair had fallen away and her hair was streaming in the breeze. Yet in that moment of her awful fear she recognized him, and shrank back trembling, as though some unseen hand had pushed her tongue, and laid a cold weight upon her heart. They stood face to face, breathless and speechless. A host of forgotten sensations, kindled by her appearance, had leaped up within the Scyllian's heart. He had indeed loved this woman.

"Merciful God! to meet you here," she faltered. "You will help me, Oh, you will help me! My husband is being murdered there on the cliff by an escaped lunatic. Oh! Leonardo, save him, and you may strike me dead at your feet. It is I whom you should hate, not him. Oh, come! Come, or it will be too late!"

He stood quite still, looking at her curiously.

"And it is I to whom you dare to come for help—I whom you ask to save him—your husband? Adrienne, do you remember my words on the sands at Palermo?"

She wrung her hands, frantically imploring.

"How can I remember anything—think of anything, now? For the love of God, help him," she begged, seizing his hand. "That was all so long ago. NO TWO—THE DESPERATE—You would not have him killed here before my eyes? Come! Oh, do come!"

"Lead the way," he answered sternly. "Call your loudest for other help. I make no promise, but I will see this tragedy."

She ran back along the path, and he followed her. They turned suddenly in an abrupt corner, and came upon two men locked in one another's arms, and swaying backward and forward upon the short green turf. The lunatic, an immense fellow, more than six feet high, was clutching his opponent's throat with his left hand, while with his right he brandished a long table-knife with keenly-sharpened edge. The struggle was virtually over. The madman's strength was more than human, and desperately though he had struggled, Lord St. Maurice was lying exhausted and overcome in his arms.

With a final effort he turned his head at the sound of footsteps, and saw them come—his wife and this shrunken little old man. But close at hand though they were, nothing could help him now. He saw the steel flashing in the sunlight, and he closed his eyes.

The knife descended, but Lord St. Maurice remained unharmed. With a swiftness which seemed almost incredible, the Scyllian had sprung between them, and the knife was quivering in his side. Behind, the lunatic was struggling helplessly in the grasp of three keepers.

There was a wild cry of horror from Lady St. Maurice, a choking grasp of relief from her husband, and a horrid chuckle of triumph from the madman as he gazed upon his handiwork. But after that there was silence—a deep, awe-stricken silence—the silence of those who stand in the presence of death.

Count Marioni lay on the turf where he had sunk, very white and very still, with the blood drooping slowly from his wound upon the grass, and his eyes closed. At first they thought that he was already dead; but, as though aroused by Lady St. Maurice's broken sobs, he opened his eyes and looked up. His lips moved, and he stooped low down to catch the sound.

"Will you tell Margherita that this was best," he faltered. "I have heard a whisper from over the sea, and— and the White Hyacinth forgives. I forgive. She will understand."

"Leonardo," she sobbed, "your vengeance—"

He interrupted her. "This is my vengeance!" he said. "I have kept my oath!"

Then he closed his eyes, and a gray shade stole into his pallid face. A breeze sprang up from the sea, and the tall, blood-red poppies, which stood up all around him like a regiment of soldiers, bent their quivering heads till one or two of them actually touched his cheek. He did not move; he was dead.

Lord and Lady Lamley had lingered long in Rome, and now, on the eve

of their departure, they had spent nearly the whole of a bright November afternoon loyally curbing a wicked old dealer, whose shop they had found in one of the dark narrow streets at the back of the Piazza Angelo. Lady Lamley had taken up a curious old ring, and was examining it with a vague sense of familiarity.

"Ten pounds for that ring, my lady," the curio dealer remarked, "and it has a history. You will see that it bears the arms and motto of the Marionis, once the most powerful family in Sicily. I had it from the late Count himself."

Lady Lamley sank into the little chair by the counter, holding the ring tightly in her hand.

"Will you tell me the history?" she asked in a low tone.

The man hesitated. "If I do so," he said doubtfully, "will you promise to keep it absolutely secret?"

"Yes."

"Well, then, I have told it to no one yet, but I will tell it to you. Many years ago I was a chemist, and among my customers was Count Leonardo di Marioni. His history was a very and one, as doubtless you may have heard. When he was quite a young man he was arrested on some political charge, and imprisoned for five-and-twenty years—a cruel time.

Well, scarcely more than twelve months ago he came to me here, so altered that I found it hard indeed to recognize him. Poor old gentleman, when he had talked for a while, I felt quite sure that his long confinement had affected his mind, and his errand with me made me sure of it. He came to buy a celebrated poison which I used at one time to be secretly noted for, and I could tell from his manner that he wanted it for some fatal use. Well, I thought at first of refusing it altogether, but what was the use of that? Some one else would have sold him an equally powerful poison, and the mischief would be done all the same. So, after a little consideration, I made up quite an innocent powder, which might cause a little momentary faintness, but which could do no further harm, and I gave it to him as the real thing. I could not take money for doing a thing like that, so he pressed this ring upon me. You see, it really has a history."

Lord Lamley took his wife's hand and pressed it tenderly. In the deep gloom of the shop the curio dealer could not see the tears which glistened in her dark eyes. "We will have the ring!" Lord Lamley said, taking a note from his pocket-book and handing it across the counter.

The man held it up to the light. "One hundred pounds," he remarked. "I shall owe your lordship ninety."

Lord Lamley shook his head. "No, Signor Paschali, you owe me nothing; it is I who owe you a wife. Come, Margherita, let us get out into the sunshine again."

And Signor Paschali kept the note. But he has come to the conclusion that all Englishmen traveling on their honeymoon are mad.

THE END

Legal Advertising

Notice of Administrator For Final Discharge
In Court of the County Judge, Osceola County, State of Florida, in re Estate of Peter Marcelli.
Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that on the 22nd day of June, A. D. 1929, I shall apply to the Honorable J. W. Oliver, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for my final discharge as executor of the estate of Peter Marcelli, deceased; and that at the same time I will present to said Court my final accounts as Executor of said estate; and ask for their approval.
Dated April 1, A. D. 1929.
R. M. J. MARCELLI, Executor.

Legal Advertising

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Court of the County Judge, Osceola County, State of Florida, in re Estate of Samuel Bush, Deceased.
To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees, and all Persons having Claims or Demands against said Estate:
You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claim and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of Samuel Bush, deceased, late of Osceola County, Florida, to the Hon. J. W. Oliver, County Judge of Osceola County, at his office in the County Courthouse in Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, within twelve months from the date hereof.
Dated March 4, A. D. 1929.
FLORINCE M. BUSH, Executrix of the Estate of Samuel Bush, Deceased.
Mar. 7-May 2

Administration Citation

County, State of Florida: Estate of Alice M. Clemens. By the Judge of said Court, Whereas, M. A. Hood has applied in this Court for Letters of Administration on the estate of Alice M. Clemens, deceased, late of said County of Osceola:
These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of said deceased to be and appear before this Court on or before the 30th day of April, A. D. 1929, and file objections, if any they have, to the granting of Letters of Administration on said estate, otherwise the same will be granted to said M. A. Hood or to some other fit person or persons.
Witness my hand as County Judge of the County aforesaid this 23rd day of March, A. D. 1929.
J. W. OLIVER, County Judge.

In Circuit Court for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Osceola County, in Chancery, Anna Deater Mason, Complainant, versus Brookman Mason, Defendant. Bill For Divorce. Order of Publication. For Brookman Mason, Defendant, You are hereby commanded to appear on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1929, to the Bill of Complaint filed herein against you. The St. Cloud Tribune, a newspaper published and of general circulation in Osceola County, Florida, is designated as the paper for the publication of this order. Witness my hand and official seal at Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1929.
C. C. Seal J. L. OVERTHREFT, Clerk.
By W. E. Pound, D. C. Murray W. Overstreet, Counsel for Complainant.
Kissimmee, Florida. Apr 4-May 2

Notice of Administrator For Final Discharge

In Court of the County Judge, Osceola County, State of Florida, in re Estate of Richard Mitchell.
Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1929, I shall apply to the Honorable J. W. Oliver, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for my final discharge as Executor of the estate of Richard Mitchell, deceased; and that at the same time I will present to said Court my final accounts as Executor of said estate; and ask for their approval.
Dated March 20, A. D. 1929.
W. D. STAUFFER, Executor.

Notice of Application for Adoption

To Whom It May Concern:
Notice is hereby given that it is my intention on the 15th of April, 1929, to file a petition with the Circuit Judge for the adoption of the minor, John Chaves, who is a child of eight years of age.
Dated 15th of March, A. D. 1929.
M. COLADO.

In Circuit Court for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida in and for Osceola County, in Chancery, No. 1929, Anna Smith, a widow, Complainant, versus Nellie M. Watson, et al, Defendants. Foreclosure of Mortgage. Notice of Master's Sale. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned as Special Master herein heretofore appointed to carry out the terms of the final decree entered herein on the 25th day of March, A. D. 1929, that pursuant to the terms of said final decree, I shall offer for sale and sell the interests of the defendants, Nellie M. Watson, and K. D. C. Watson, her husband, as such interest existed at the date of the institution of this suit, to-wit: August 21st, 1928, or has since acquired, in the following described premises located in Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, to-wit: Lots Eleven and Twelve of Block "C" of C. A. Carson's Addition to Kissimmee City, according to the recorded plat thereof of record in Osceola County, Florida. Said sale to occur on the 9th day of May, A. D. 1929, in front of the courthouse door, Kissimmee, Florida, between the legal hours of said terms of sale to be cash, with requirement of payment in cash or deposit as in my discretion seems best at the time of making bids. Purchaser to pay for deed. This March 30th, 1929.
N. B. CALLENDER, Special Master herein.

Pat Johnston, Attorney for Complainant, Kissimmee, Fla. Apr 4-11-15-25

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NOTICE FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

In Court of the County Judge, Osceola County, State of Florida, in re Estate of H. W. Barnum.
Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1929, I shall apply to the Honorable J. W. Oliver, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for a final discharge as Executor of the estate of H. W. Barnum, deceased; and that at the same time I will present to said Court my final accounts as Executor of said estate; and ask for their approval.
Dated March 1, A. D. 1929.
THIRMA MAGATO, Executrix.
Mar. 7-May 2

NOTICE OF SPECIAL LEGISLATION

Notice is hereby given that I will ask for the passage of a bill prohibiting live stock from running at large in the territory hereinafter described, and providing a manner and method of disposing of any dogs permitted to run at large, and a penalty upon the owner for allowing such dogs to run at large.
The property to be covered by said special act, is:
All of Township 25, Range 20;
All that part of Township 25, Range 20, South and East of Lake Hatchewah;
All that part of Township 25, Range 20, East of Kissimmee River and Lake Kissimmee;
All that part of Township 25, Range 20, East of the West shore of Lake Kissimmee;
Also: All of Sections 6, 7, 8, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 39 in Township 25, Range 20, Kissimmee, Florida.
Feb. 21-Apr. 18. PAT JOHNSTON.

In Circuit Court for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Osceola County, in Chancery, Foreclosure of Mortgage. A. D. Parker, Complainant, versus Eugene Selmsmeyer and — Selmsmeyer, his wife, Defendants. Order of Publication. To Eugene Selmsmeyer and — Selmsmeyer, his wife, Selmsmeyer, Ohio. You and each of you are hereby commanded to appear to the Bill of Complaint in the above styled cause on the 6th day of May, A. D. 1929, the same being a Rule Day of the above Court. Witness my hand and official seal at Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1929.
C. C. Seal J. L. OVERTHREFT, Clerk.
By W. E. Pound, D. C. Murray W. Overstreet, Solicitor for Complainant.
Kissimmee, Florida. Apr 4-May 2

Notice of Administrator For Final Discharge

In Court of the County Judge, Osceola County, State of Florida, in re Estate of John A. Sheffield.
Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1929, I shall apply to the Honorable J. W. Oliver, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for a final discharge as Executor of the estate of John A. Sheffield, deceased; and that at the same time I will present to said Court my final accounts as Executor of said estate; and ask for their approval.
Dated March 10, A. D. 1929.
ABNER K. SHEFFIELD, Executrix.
Mar. 21-May 21

Notice to Creditors

In the Court of the County Judge, Osceola County, State of Florida, in re the estate of F. E. Williams, Deceased.—To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees, and all Persons having Claims or Demands against said Estate:
You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claim and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of F. E. Williams, deceased, late of Osceola County, Florida, to the Hon. J. W. Oliver, County Judge of Osceola County, at his office in the County Courthouse in Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, within twelve months from the date hereof.
Dated March 28, A. D. 1929.
L. R. FAIRMER, Administrator of the Estate of F. E. Williams, Deceased.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Court of the County Judge, Osceola County, State of Florida, in re the estate of Charles R. Routelle, Deceased.—To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees, and all Persons having Claims or Demands against said Estate:
You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claim and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of Charles R. Routelle, deceased, late of Osceola County, Florida, to the Hon. J. W. Oliver, County Judge of Osceola County, at his office in the County Courthouse in Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, within twelve months from the date hereof.
Dated February 13, A. D. 1929.
EVA R. ROUTELLE, Administratrix of the Estate of Charles R. Routelle, Deceased.
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